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PRESIDENT PLANS A SPEAKING TOUR

Taft Will Explain His Position on All the Current Questions.

WILL WAGE ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

While on the Trip Mr. Taft Will Visit the South and Will Probably Stop at Pinehurst—To Answer Teddy.

Washington, Feb. 28.—President Taft will soon start a vigorous speech making campaign to explain his position on current questions and further his candidacy for re-nomination.

Before the Republican National Convention meets in June, the President will spend many days on the road and is expected to deliver scores of speeches. He will travel as far west as Chicago, as far north as New Hampshire, and south at least as far as Georgia. Other engagements may be made in the next few weeks. The President's political advisers believe he is their best orator.

Ever since the Taft re-nomination headquarters were opened here some time ago and Representative William B. McKinley was put in charge, Republican leaders have urged the President to get into the campaign. He began following this advice when he accepted an invitation of a year's standing to attend the 50th annual dinner of the Swedish-American Republican Club in Chicago. The acceptance of that invitation was followed by the announcement that the President had consented to stop on his way west at Toledo, Ohio. Invitations to visit Youngstown and Masillion have been received and probably will be accepted. A few days ago the White House let it be known that the President would go to Savannah in April or May and might stop at Pinehurst, N. C.

Tonight, after a short conference with Senators Crane, Smoot and Gallinger, it was said that the President would extend his coming trip to Boston to include Nasua and Concord, N. H. He leaves Washington for Boston on March 17th, spends March 18th there and will visit the two New Hampshire cities on March 19th.

Although no announcement has been made of subjects for speeches the President will make on these trips, it is practically certain that he will not fail to include in his addresses the recall of judges, the recall of judicial decisions, possibly the initiative and referendum and topics touched by Col. Roosevelt in his speech at Columbus last week. Probably Mr. Taft will make no direct reply to that speech and it has been stated with emphasis that he will not indulge in personalities. But that he will make clear his own views on many of the doctrines advocated by Col. Roosevelt in Columbus, is almost certain.

A canvass of the New York political situation, made at conferences today between William Barnes, Jr., chairman of the New York State Republican Committee; Vice President Sherman, State Senator Brackett and Representative Calder, a Brooklyn leader in Congress, resulted in an informal declaration that President Taft would have an almost solid delegation to the Republican National Convention. It was claimed today that the conference between President Taft and Chairman Barnes, which lasted until last night, was satisfactory to both insofar as the selection of delegates and the proposed wording of the platform was concerned.

Mr. Barnes returned to New York late today.

DR. W. W. PHARR DEAD.

Well Known Presbyterian Minister in This State Passes.

Mooresville, N. C., Feb. 27.—Rev. Dr. W. W. Pharr, for 50 years pastor of the Center Presbyterian church and one of the best beloved ministers in the South, passed away at his home in this city tonight at 11 o'clock after an illness of a week. Owing to his extreme age, he was 80 years old, his illness which developed the first of last week, was serious from the outset and the end had been expected for the past several days. The end was very easy, simply a sleep and a forgetting. The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Dr. Pharr had served in the Presbyterian ministry ever since his young manhood. For exactly 50 years he ministered to the old Center church congregation, one of the most notable in this section of the State. He had always manifested a keen interest in all things pertaining to the welfare of his people and exerted a powerful influence throughout all of his life. For the past 25 years he had made his home in Mooresville, which is only about three miles distant from Center church. It is safe to say that there was no minister in the State better known or more universally beloved.

ANNULMENT A. C. L. TRAINS Nos. 59 AND 60

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Until further notice A. C. L. Trains Nos. 59 and 60 will be annulled between Fayetteville and Sanford, but these trains will be operated as formerly between Wilmington and Fayetteville.

REPORT ON THE STEEL TRUST

Expert Accountant Who Made An Examination of the Corporation's Books Finds Some Eye-Opening Statements

Washington, Feb. 28.—The House Steel Trust Investigating Committee today made public the result of the inquiry into the books and minutes of the United States Steel Corporation conducted by Farquhar J. McRae, an expert accountant.

The McRae report reaches the conclusion that the Steel Corporation operates in restraint of trade and prevents competition through a manipulation of prices, through the influence of the so-called "Gary dinners"; by control of raw materials and through a system of interlocking directors in various companies. It also tends to contradict some of the testimony given by steel trust officials.

Some of the figures dealt with in the report are startling. It is shown that J. P. Morgan & Co., received approximately $70,000,000 in cash profits for organizing the big steel combine, and that the net profits of the concern for the first nine years of its existence were more than a billion dollars.

Steel Corporation officials objected to producing their books before the committee in this city, but consented to place them freely at the disposal of an expert to be named by the committee. Mr. McRae made a thorough study of the books and minutes, and in his report to the committee he pointed out these salient features:

That J. P. Morgan & Co., heading the syndicate which organized the Steel Corporation, received a cash profit of $69,300,000 of which $62,500,000 was for promotion, with an additional commission of $6,800,000 for a bond conversion scheme.

That the net earnings of the corporation for a period of nine years were $1,029,685,389, or an equivalent of approximately $13 a ton on finished product, instead of $980,000,311 as claimed by the corporation in its report.

That the Steel Corporation, contrary to the statement made by Judge Gary and H. C. Frick, to President Roosevelt in 1907, that it did not control more than 60 per cent. of steel properties in the country, controls about 80 per cent. of the steel holdings.

The section of the report dealing with the "Gary dinners," where independent as well as corporation steel men assembled to discuss conditions in the trade, contains an analysis of the legal effect of the "golden rule" policy prepared by Anthony J. Ernest, a New York lawyer, in which it is declared that the "conventions agreed to and enforced would be objectionable as regards their effect upon competition."

Stress is laid in the financial section of the report upon the demonstration by figures that the Steel Corporation restrains competition by making the greater portion of its profits in raw materials and in plants producing semi-finished materials, while the finished product plants make very low profits. This operates, it is declared, to keep the price of raw materials, ore, coke and pig iron on a high plane, to the advantage of the corporation and disadvantage of the independent.

"During the nine years from January 1, 1902 to December 31, 1910," the report says, "the productions of the corporation in rolled and other finished steel amounted to 79,267,363 tons and the adjusted net earnings for the same period amounted to $1,029,685,389, or an equivalent of aproximately $13 per ton. In order that an idea may be had of the net earnings in dollars per ton of the several operating groups of the corporation, I have calculated these figures and find the approximate net earnings of $13 per ton of finished product to have been earned as follows:

"By manufacturing companies $8.01 per ton. By coal and coke companies $.70 per ton. By iron mining companies $2.12 per ton. By transportation companies, $1.81 per ton. By miscellaneous companies, $.36 per ton. Total $13."

This, the report says, is equivalent to an earning of 40 per cent. on cost.

In accounting for the discrepancy between the earnings claimed by the Steel Corporation, $980,000,311, and his estimate of $1,109,146,093 Mr. McRae restored to net earnings what had been eliminated by the Steel Corporation in its accounting, including such things as "interest on bonds of subsidiary companies, the locked-up inter-company profits in inventories, special depreciation, admittedly charged to construction, employes' bonus funds and special compensations, account preferred stock subscriptions, which have been treated as dividends from earnings and not in the nature of additional wages to employes, and lastly interest on bonds, mortgages and purchase money obligations of subsidiary companies."

As showing the result of the policy of the Steel Corporation to make the bulk of its profits in the raw and semi-finished material, Mr. McRae submitted a condensed statement of the dividends paid by the subsidiary companies to the Steel Corporation and the interest paid by the Carnegie Company on its collateral trust bonds, from April 1, 1901 to April 1, 1910, showing a total of $153,124,386.53.

"The income from the Carnegie Company in dividends and bond interest", he says, "amounted to $305,239,537.49, or about 40 per cent. of the total. The American Bridge Co., paid the holding company dividends on its preferred stock during this period to the amount of $19,715,577.50, or two and six-tenths per cent. of the total."

Relating to restraint of trade there are 14 companies in the report, one of which deals with per-

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MADERO WILL NOT DISLODGE REBELS

They Will Be Left in Complete Possession of the City of Juarez.

SERIOUS CONDITION EXISTS

Cabinet Meeting Decides It's Too Much Trouble to Retake the Town—Troops Proceeding to Relieve Americans.

Mexico City, Feb. 28.—No immediate steps will be taken to dislodge the rebels from Juarez either by siege or by battle, Instead, the government will devote its energies to cleaning up the district about Torreon and Chihuahua. This, according to the best information obtainable, was the conclusion reached at the meeting of President Madero's cabinet today after the difficulties of starving out the Juarez insurrectionists had been thoroughly canvassed.

A government official who was present at the taking of the border city by Madero last May, pointed out that it would require a large number of troops and a close investment to prevent the rebels securing cattle and provisions from the surrounding country with which to maintain themselves. The troops could not be spared nor could they be placed about the city without great difficulty, he said.

On the other hand, the government has decided that military operations are to be pushed vigorously in the Laguna district. Troops are being sent into that territory from Saltillo and Monterey and results are expected within a few days.

In response to representations made to United States Ambassador Wilson, a body of troops is proceeding to the relief of 53 Americans who are bottled up at Velardena.

March 8th is the date set by the Vasquista agitators for a general attack upon Mexico City. They are not taken seriously.

In line with assertions by Vasquista propagandists in the capital that the end of the month would see various uprisings in this vicinity the Jefe Politico of Zumpango, 25 miles north of here, took to the hills today with a handful of followers and what arms the band could seize. One hundred Federals were sent to garrison the town and a squad of cavalry went in pursuit of the rebels.

Consular reports from Durango indicate that a serious condition still exists throughout that State. The country is overrun by robbing bands and the city is still cut off from rail communication and is full of refugees.

The town of Badiraguato, in Sinaloa, is reported to be in the possession of 1,500 rebels.

Nieves, in Zacatas, was raided twice within the last 24 hours.

TURNED DOWN TAFT

Virginia Republicans at Danville Are For Roosevelt

Danville, Va., Feb. 28.—The official faction of the local Republican party, led by Postmaster Frank D. Lumpkin, practically repudiated the Taft candidacy and scored a victory for Roosevelt by voting down a resolution instructing for Taft, instead of favoring an uninstructed delegation The resolution favoring endorsement of Taft's candidacy was offered by Federal Commissioner J. B. Stovell, aspirant for postmaster and supported by ex-postmaster Barksdale. The victorious "Ins" adopted a perfunctory resolution commending the administration but went no further. Three delegates each to the Rocky Mount (Fifth District) and the Roanoke (State) Republican convention were named. While non-committal, they are understood to favor Roosevelt. The meeting was well attended and acrimonious.

SENTENCED TO ROADS.

Negro Druggist in Charlotte Convicted of Retailing.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 28.—John Porter, of the Queen City Drug Company, tried on three counts of retailing, was sentenced by Recorder Smith to a term of eight months on the county roads. Porter is the negro tried and cleared at the last term of criminal court, on a charge of retailing.

The evidence this moning was from James Gunning and Walt Thomas, both colored, who swore that on last Saturday night they went into the Queen City Drug Company and in the presence of one another purchased from John Porter three pints of whiskey. Gunning paid a dollar for two of the pints and Thomas paid 50 cents for the other pint.

Attorneys John Hutchison and Cliff Newell appeared for the negro.

WILEY MAY RESIGN.

Pure Food Champion Contemplates Leaving Bureau of Chemistry.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, pure food champion, is seriously considering resigning his position as chief of the Bureau of Chemistry in the Department of Agriculture. Admitting this in an interview tonight, Dr. Wiley said that, while he had not yet determined to offer his resignation, it seemed that he could not be successful in his efforts to secure harmony as long as there were incongruous elements" in the department.

GOVERNMENT WON FIRST FALL

In Anti-Trust Suit Against Six Railroads and Three Coal Companies Damaging Admissions Were Secured—Difference in Rates.

Columbus, O., Feb. 29.—What government officials consider their first victory in the Federal anti-trust suit against six railorads and three coal companies, in progress here before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, was won today.

Edwin A. Cole, president of the Sunday Creek Company, admitted under the questioning of special prosecutor Harrison that he recently attempted to confer with officers of the Toledo & Ohio Central and Hocking Valley Railroads, regarding a contract to be entered into by the Sunday Creek Company. This conference was not granted, he related, because of the present suit, and the possibility that "any advice given him might be misconstrued." He said officers of the two companies told him he must "use his own judgment about entering into the contract in question, which was the lease of some apparently rich coal fields.

Attorney Harrison also gained from Mr. Cole an admission that both the Toledo & Ohio Central and the Hocking Valley are supplied with a statement of the net earnings of the Sunday Creek.

Mr. Cole told of large contracts for coal made between his concern and the New York Central and Hocking Valley Railroad.

"Is there any difference in the rate charged these two companies?" Judge Warrington inquired.

"Yes, your honor," Cole replied, "there is a difference of five cents a ton in the rate charged the Hocking Valley."

"Why do you charge the Hocking Valley any more than the other line?" asked the judge.

The court room tittered when Cole replied: "Because we can get it."

President Stevens, of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, told the court that the Chesapeake & Ohio purchased the Hocking Valley Railroad in order to secure better connections with the Great Lakes and provide an outlet to the North and Northwest for its coal and other traffic. He denied that his road had in any way dictated the affairs of the Sunay Creek Company since 1910.

A letter written by President Sheldon, of the Kanawha & Michigan Railroad, to the Toledo & Ohio Central, showing the amount of coal traffic and other business given that road, as compared with like business given the Hocking Valley, was introduced by Attorney Harrison as proof of the conspiracy that the government contends exists between the roads and companies.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS STRIKE

Men on Mississippi Central Want Higher Wages

Hattiesburg, Miss, Feb. 28.—The dozen members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, employed by the Mississippi Central Railroad, struck tonight at 7 o'clock for higher wages. The present scale is from $165 to $175 per month. Vice President and General Manager R. K. Smith, representing the railroad, informed a committee representing the engineers that the road was not in a financial condition to pay higher wages.

The management stated tonight that vacancies would be filled without restorting to professional strike-breakers.

OUTLINES

Folke E. Brandt was yesterday released from the Tombs on bail.

The British government yesterday acknowledged failure to settle the coal miners' dispute and a National strike seems probable.

The Republican executive committee in session at Raleigh yesterday selected that place and May 15th for holding the convention and adopted a resolution endorsing Taft.

The government won its first victory in the anti-trust suits against six railroads and three coal companies yesterday when damaging admissions were made by the defense.

The Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee in secret session yesterday agreed upon a revision of the sugar schedule, believed to be a reduction of 50 per cent.

It was boroght out in an investigation yesterday that Assistant Secretary Hayes, of the Agricultural Department, offered to take stock in the Dismal Swamp drainage project.

The accountant's report on the affairs of the steel trust was made to the House Committee yesterday and shows that the corporation has operated in violation of the anti-trust law.

President Taft is making preparations to begin a speaking tour which fill have far reaching consequences as he is to explain his views on current questions and open the campaign.

Madero will make no attempt to dislodge the Rebels at Juarez, conditions being such as to make the undertaking very doubtful. A serious condition still exists in many parts of Mexico.

New York markets: Money on call steady, 2 to 2 1-2 per cent.; ruling rate 2 3-8; closing bid and offered at 2. Spot cotton closed quiet. Flour steady to firm. Wheat, spot strong. No. 2 red 1.02 1-2 elevator export basis and 1.01 3-4 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, spot firm, No. 2, 77 elevator, domestic basis to arrive, and export 73 f.o.b. afloat. Turpentine steady. Rosin quiet.

A NATIONAL COAL STRIKE PROBABLE

English Government Acknowledges Failure to Settle the Dispute.

ISSUES OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Some of the Owners and Miners Have Come to Terms But There Is Slight Chance of An Immediate Settlement

London, Feb. 28.—The government tonight acknowledges failure to settle the dispute between the coal owners and miners. Breaking the rule of secrecy and silence heretofore rigidly observed during the negotiations, an official statement was issued regarding the proposals submitted by the Prime Minister to representatives of the owners and miners.

The statement declares that the government is satisfied that there are cases in which underground workers are not able to earn a reasonable minimum wage. The government is further satisfied that the power to earn such wage should be secured by arrangements suitable to the special circumstances in each district, adequate safeguards being provided to protect employers against abuse. The government is prepared to confer with the parties concerned as to the best method of giving practical effect to these conclusions by means of district conferences, a representative appointed by the government being present in event of failure to arrive at a settlement by the government, to decide jointly any outstanding points.

These proposals, continues the statement, were considered by representatives of the coal owners this afternoon, with the result that those in the federated area, which includes Yorkshire, Lancashire, the Midlands and North Wales, accepted, adding that it is expected the government will make such arrangements as will secure the agreement being binding to both sides for a reasonable time.

The Durham and Cumberland employers also accepted the proposals. They were rejected, however, by the Northumberland, Scotland and South Wales coal owners and also by representatives of the smaller districts—Forest of Dean, in Gloucester, Somerset and Bristol. More than 60 per cent of the coal trade of the country accepted the proposals.

The National Miners Federation replied to the proposals by adopting the following resolutions:

"There can be no settlement of the present dispute unless the principle of an individual minimum wage for all underground workers is agreed to by the coal owners."

The federation added that it was willing to meet the coal owners at any time to discuss minimum rates to be adopted in each district.

At the request of the Prime Minister representatives of both parties agreed to be available for further consultation tomorrow. Thus ends the official statement, but it is evident that the situation offers hardly the remotest chance of a settlement being reached in time to avert a National coal strike.

LITTLE CRAFT IN TRIM

Government Torpedo Boats Establish Some New Records

Washington, Feb. 28.—Firing more than 200 torpedoes without losing one is the record of the United States Atlantic torpedo fleet. This, according to an announcement made at the Navy Department today, establishes a mark for the little craft which never has before been made by any ships of the navy in active commission.

Since the repair of the vessels after their experiences with the recent storm off the Atlantic seaboard they have made records both in speed and smoke prevention.

The 16 destroyers have made full-power runs on which they made a higher average speed than had ever been made on similar runs. The best speed record was made by the Paulding with an average of 31.8 knots.

The Burrows has almost mastered the art of smoke prevention, and it holds the record for torpedo craft. During a four-hour run at 28-knot speed this vessel emitted visible smoke during only 15 seconds.

HARNETT DEFEATS BONDS

Good Roads and Stock Law Rejected By Good Majorities

(Special to Fayetteville Observer.)

Dunn, Feb. 28., 3:30 P. M.—G. K. Grantham informs me that the good roads bond issue and the stock law were both defeated in Harnett county yesterday—the bond issue by about 500, and the stock law by about 200.

Gainesville, Fla., Feb. 28.—Mystery surrounds the disappearance here Monday night of Dr. H. C. Spencer, a well known physician and an all-day and night hunt for him by searching parties has been fruitless. Late Monday night Mr. Spencer was summoned to attend a patient at a turpentine still about three miles distant. When he failed to return a hunt for him disclosed his automobile, with his medicine chest, etc., intact, turned up against a fence. No trace of the missing man has been found.

AGREED UPON SUGAR REPORT

Committee Revises Schedule in Secret Session and Duty Will Probably be Reduced About Fifty Per Cent.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Democratic members of the House Ways and Means Committee, after many stormy conferences and differences, agreed today to make a report to the Democratic caucus on the sugar tariff next Friday afternoon.

To guard the exact terms of the revised schedule from publicity Chairman Underwood and other members of the Ways and Means Committee took an oath of secrecy.

From all that could be learned tonight about the conclusion of the warring factions in the committee, the plan of revision most favored contemplates a duty reduction of more than 50 per cent., fixing the tariff at about 80 cents a hundred pounds on refined sugar, a cut from the present duty of $1.90 and the assessment of a consumers' or internal revenue tax on all manufactures of sugar of from 7-16 to 1-2 cent a pound.

The call for the caucus is for consideration of the sugar schedule and other revenue measures. The committee has been considering the increasing of the duties on silks, crude rubber, laces and other things that might be classed as luxuries to make up revenue that would be lost by reducing the sugar duty.

Sugar brings in between $56,000,000 and $60,000,000 revenue a year.

In the committee the fight has been between the champions of free sugar and the advocates of reduction who favor a tariff for revenue only. Chairman Underwood, chief of the latter faction, has urged a big cut in the duty on sugar and the creation of a consumers' tax, to be paid by the manufacturers on every pound of sugar sold.

The advocates of free sugar have urged that the revenue loss be made up from goods that might be classed as luxuries. Upon this difference the fight has been waged, and insofar as the committee is concerned, was settled today. The current report was that the Underwood plan had been adopted.

"I can say nothing about the decision," said Mr. Underwood tonight, "until the question is submitted to the caucus."

ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

Turkish Embassy Receives Information About Bombardment.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The Turkish embassy tonight gave out an official dispatch containing additional details of the bombardment of Beirut by Italian warships. It is declared that the Italian ships fired on the municipal hospital, which was flying the "Red Crescent," and that the Ottoman, German, Saloniki and Chakal banks were damaged, besides a number of commercial houses. Fifty persons were killed and 58 wounded.

"A projectile from the ships," the dispatch states, "was found at a distance of five kilometers towards the Lebanon, in an entirely opposite direction from the port. Shots also fell in front of the American hospital and the American school."

The advices say martial law was proclaimed and that business was being resumed.

"After the foregoing official facts," the dispatch concludes, "it is obvious to insist on the falsity of the report said to have emanated from Constantinople and published by some American papers to the effect that the city of Beirut was not bombarded by the Italians, and that the loss of life in that city should be attributed to massacres by rioters in the town."

VETERANS WILL PARADE.

General Walker Says He Has Only Modified Its Form.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 28.—Gen. C. Irvine Walker, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, denied this afternoon the report that he intended to do away with the parade of veterans at the reunion at Macon in May. Gen. Walker stated that he had modified the form of parade in order to give greater comfort and less fatigue to the old soldiers and to ensure a shorter march. He stated that the concentration of the parade into a smaller compass would make it more attractive to the spectators.

The order for the parade, which will soon be ready, has met with the approval of all the department and division commanders of the veterans' organization.

SAYS IT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Senate Committee Reports Unfavorably Jordan Enabling Act.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 28.—On the ground that it is unconstitutional, the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections late tonight reported unfavorably the Jordan Enabling Act, which automatically provides for a State-wide prohibition election on petition of one-fourth of the qualified voters participating in the last municipal election. The vote stood 10 to three. The committee also requested the Senate to take up the question for a final vote on Friday. While the measure has already passed the House, newspaper polls indicate that it will be defeated in the Senate.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 28.—At its concluding meeting today the Southern Merchants' Association adopted strong resolutions denouncing the proposed parcels post and urging members of Congress to vote against the measure. W. H. Carter, of Columbus, Miss., was elected president of the association. The association adjourned to meet again next year in this city.

REPUBLICAN CLANS THRONG RALEIGH

State Convention to Meet There May 15th, For Election of Delegates.

PRESIDENT TAFT ENDORSED

"The Embodiment of Progressive Conservatism," It Is Declared—Five Hundred Attend The Morehead Banquet

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Republican State Executive Committee, J. M. Morehead, chairman, in a meeting here this afternoon selected Raleigh and May 15th for the meeting of the Republican State Convention to elect delegates to the National Convention.

In resolutions adopted, the administration of President Taft was endorsed and commended and he was declared to be "the embodiment of progressive conservatism." The resolutions were adopted in executive session, but it is learned that the original resolution introduced by Thomas Settle, of Asheville, now an assistant for the Department of Justice in New York, endorsed and recommended the "renomination and election of President Taft by the Republicans from this State and the country at large." This was stricken out.

Taft's position on the tariff was commended, as was his "unyielding attitude in opposition to the assaults upon the independence and integrity of the courts of justice."

The committee with about 500 other Republicans are tonight at a banquet given by Chairman Morehead.

Story In Detail

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The executive committee selected Raleigh for the State convention to name delegates to the National convention and May the 15th as the date, after which it adopted 12 to 6, resolutions endorsing Taft's administration, the six opposing adoption being I. M. Meekins, C. H. Cowles, George E. Butler, C. C. Vann, J. J. Jenkins and F. W. Hanes.

Only C. H. Cowles was outspoken in opposition to Taft, declaring that he wanted to go on record against him.

The other five objected to different features of the resolutions.

The resolutions follow:

"We hereby endorse and commend the administration of President Taft. Confronted from the beginning of the administration until today with a series of difficulties, complicated and embarrassing questions, many of them calling for legislative remedies, he has met the situation with firmness, tact and judicial temperament, and largely through his personality, has secured much needed legislation from Congress, when he has at no time during his administration been able to invoke the aid of a cohesive, firm party majority. There has not been an hour during the administration when Republicans in Congress could pass a strict party measure. We especially commend his position on the tariff. His insistence that tariff should be dealt with scientifically with the aid of accurate knowledge of conditions and details, rather than in a partisian, theoretic and speculative manner and in the absence of authentic information and knowledge is fundamentally sound. This is practically admitted by Democrats in Congress. If wool, the cotton and other bills passed by Democrats in the last session of Congress were imperative in demands for speedy action at that time, these same demands are as imperative today. Yet with the detailed report of a tariff board now available the Democrats say those schedules are now too hot to handle from their point of view, so they begin an experimental operation on steel.

"Respect for constituted authority is the only sure foundation for government of any kind. No stability, no progress is possible without this. We therefore, endorse President Taft for his unyielding attitude in opposition to the assaults upon the independence and integrity of our land, and we deeply deplore the tendency to part from the fundamental principles of popular government as enunciated by the constitution. He is the embodiment of progressive conservatism.

"The committee commends these suggestions to the people who are and of right ought to be final and supreme authority under the constitution and to their conservative and sober second thought which has always been the bulwark of the party and the safety of the republic."

Hon. Thomas Settle was the author of the resolutions and it is stated that he has resigned his Federal position as Assistant Attorney General to the Commerce Court, New York, so that he may take untrammeled the nomination for Governor and make the fight of his life in the impending campaign. It is declared, though not authoritatively by him, that opposition to prohibition and the advocacy of a return to local option conditions in this State will be one of his special planks.

At the Banquet.

Iredell Meares, responding to the toast, "The Whole State," after reviewing the varied and vast resources of the State, declared that there is one desideratum in the civic life of the State, in the party point of view, not

yet attained—a Republican majority—but that when public sentiment demands a reform in methods of counting, this will be realized. An experienced poll holder has declared "It is not voting that counts, but counting that counts." And when Senator Simmons, according to Governor Kitchin, shall complete his republicanizing of the thought through the State there will be much reason to predict the one thing needful in the attainment of Republican ascendancy.

He declared that Governor Kitchin might further relieve the uncertainty of the istuation by submitting the issue "Is Judge Clark a Democrat?" He is not on the Democratic platform, but constructs one of his own out of whale bones of Mrs. Lease's shirtwaist, and bedecks it with her dilapidated bonnet and shawl.

Democratic ascendancy is due to subordination to prejudices and passions engendered by the war, and race issues, no longer problems of State and Government. There should be lifting to higher planes and broader views in political discussions and to true performance of civic duty as electors. The time is at hand when intelligent voters will break away from habitual party voting and declare independence to party traditions and associate themselves with the party that most nearly represents their views on State and National issues.

He paid tribute to Chairman Morehead, whose distinguished forebears did so much for railroads, canal extension and drainage, an declared that the time is at hand for united effort for internal improvement that will make, through dredging and canal, Raleigh a seaport town, and give Burlington the advantage of water freight rates.

He was cheered lustily, and urged to go on, after his time was out.

Sidelights of Meeting.

Republican Chairman Morehead denied emphatically this morning that there is any foundation at all for the report that he intends to resign the State Chairmanship in favor of Former Senator Marion Butler. Such talk he characterized as "the veriest rot." Secretary Gilliam Grissom, of the executive committee, who is especially close to Morehead in his chairmanship duties, went so far as to declare that such reports could but emanate from a political arch enemy of its chief and of the Republican party. The responsibility for circulating such a report, he declared, could doubtless be traced to either the Duncan or the Simmons forces, if there were any way to get at the real truth of the matter.

The most absorbing topic among the committeemen and the big crowd of other leading Republicans gathered for the banquet tonight, was the Taft-Roosevelt situation. It is admitted by numbers of Taft's most ardent supporters here now that two-thirds of the Republicans gathered here are in favor of the Roosevelt candidacy, although they insist that as soon as these come to realize just what positions Roosevelt took in his Columbus speech they will swing back into line for Taft. It is believed that the conservatives in the committee meeting today will undertake to deter the committee from any actual declaration that will show the strength of either Taft or Roosevelt.

For the big banquet tonight by State Chairman Morehead, Hon. Thomas Settle was the toastmaster. The banquet was in the auditorium and was an elaborate affair. The service was from the Yarborough Hotel, close by. The speakers and their subjects follow:

Chairman Jno. Morehead, "Political Independence;" Harry Skinner, "The East;" F. A. Linney, "The West;" Iredell Meares, "The Whole State;" Henry T. Wing, "The First District;" J. R. Gaskill, "Second District;" Geo. E. Butler, "The Third District;" W. J. Andrews, "The Fourth District;" B. S. Robertson, "Fifth District;" I. B. Tucker, "Sixth District;" Clarence Call, "Seventh District;" A. H. Price, "The Eighth District;" Chas. E. Green, "The Ninth District;" Chas. J. Harris, "The Tenth District;" A. A. Whitener, "Catawba Wine;" A. E. Holton, "We Can Succeed Again;" C. S. Wooten, "Former Whigs and Latter-Day Republicans;" Fred W. Thomas, "Return to the Constitution;" A. C. Reynolds, "Our Debt to Our Papers;" T. E. Owen, "Reply to Our Debt to Our Papers;" T. T. Hicks, "Non-Partisan Judiciary;" Sylvester T. Everett, "From Ohio to North Carolina;" G. Sam Bradshaw, "Lawyer in Politics;" W. P. Ragan, "Postmasters Can Help;" J. Elwood Cox, "Currency Reform;" W. S. O'B. Robinson, "Hospitable Raleigh;" J. C. L. Harris, "Reply: Raleigh Not So Dry;" H. G. Ewart, "Republicans All;" Marion Butler, "Principles Will Win;" Gilliam Grissom, "A Few Details;" Thomas Settle, "Our State and Our Party."

Statement from Duncan

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—Republican National Committeeman E. C. Duncan, of North Carolina, tonight gave out here a statement, saying:

"No agreement has been entered into by me or any authorized representative as to the withdrawal of 10 North Carolina appointments sent to the Senate for confirmation by President Taft of recent date."

This statement denies that there was any agreement between Committeeman Duncan and Republican State Chairman Morehead for Taft to withdraw the 10 appointments. Mr. Duncan states that he has never unduly inflicted himself upon the valuable time of the President in attempting to secure patronage for his friends in North Carolina, nor had he ever traduced the fame and good name of North Carolina Republicans.

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GATE CITY AFFAIRS.

Chamber of Commerce Busy—An Epidemic of Measles.

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Chamber of Commerce is actively busy in an effort to locate here a distributing agency for the Carolinas for glass of all kinds. Representatives of large plate glass concerns were recently here and have taken the matter of location up with the chamber. The secretary is also in correspondence with certain gentlemen interested in the establishment of a hosiery mill in this section and there is a chance for Greensboro securing it.

Frank Wineskie, of High Point, was indicted by the grand jury in Superior Court yesterday afternoon charged with the embezzlement of $30,000 from the Standard Mirror Company. The Wineskie case, it will be remembered, was brought to public attention a few weeks ago when he was arrested charged with embezzlement and given a hearing before a Grensboro magistrate who bound him to court. Habeas corpus proceedings were had and Wineskie was released by a Superior Court judge, who held that the magistrate was not within his jurisdiction in holding the defendant. It has been understood since that time that the prosecution would be pushed and no surprise was occasioned when the matter was called to the attention of the grand jury. The defendant and his friends, however, don't seem to be worried over the grand jury's action. They say that Mr. Wineskie is not an embezzler and that at the trial he will be not only acquitted, but his character freed from any stain.

There is an epidemic of measles in Greensboro and indications are that the situation is growing daily worse. Fourteen new cases were reported in one day this week, while it is said that there are now more than 100 cases in town.

WOMEN TO HELP.

Wives of National Leaders Organize Movement to Promote Plans.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Women of Democracy propose to take a hand in the National political situation this year. To celebrate and strengthen the "working peace" in the reunited party, wives of Democratic leaders at the capital are planning a "Harmony Breakfast" to be given on Dolly Madison's birthday, May 20, with Mrs. Champ Clark, seated between Mrs. Grover Cleveland and Mrs. William Jennings Bryan, presiding as toastmistresses.

Plans for this unique event were launched at a dinner given by Mrs. Robert W. Wickliffe, wife of Representative Wickliffe, of Louisiana, in honor of Mrs. Clark.

Mrs. Henry D. Clayton, wife of Representative Clayton, of Alabama, was made chairman of the executive committee for the movement, and Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Oscar W. Underwood, wife of the Democratic House leader, were named to constitute an advisory committee.

Wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of National Democratic leaders will be invited to come together for the jubilee. In the honor list will be the wives of men who have been mentioned as Presidential possibilities, including Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, Mrs. Judson Harmon, Mrs. John W. Kern, Mrs. Thomas E. Marshall, Mrs. Eugene N. Foss, Mrs. John A. Dix, Mrs. William Randolph Hearst, Mrs. Champ Clark and Mrs. Oscar W. Underwood.

TAXICAB ROBBERY

Of the $25,000 Stolen Just $3,000 Has Been Recovered by Police

New York, Feb. 28.—While the police have the names of 10 alleged highwaymen, five of whom are under arrest, the evidence so far uncovered in the taxicab hold-up in the financial district in which two men were blackjacked and $25,000 stolen, shows that several others knew of the planning and expectation of the plot and perhaps shared in the loot.

The police are specially desirious of arresting three Italians, two of whom are known as Matteo and Peuli. These Italians are known to their fellows as "the three brigands."

Two of the prisoners who have confessed say that the "three brigands" supervised the robbery but took no part in it until the division came, when Matteo at the point of a gun seized $10,000. The brigands are known as dangerous gun men.

ATTEMPT ON PASTOR'S LIFE

Baptist Minister at Fort Worth Set Upon With Friend

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 28.—Investigation is being made today of a second supposed attempt on the life of Rev. J. Frank Norris, of the Firs' Baptist church here. According to the story told by Mr. Norris and George E. White who was accompanying him to his home last night, a man with a drawn revolver attacked them. After grappling with the man they say their assailant tore himself free and escaped.

A month ago some one fired two shots through the window of the pastor's study as he sat at his desk. A week later his church was burned. Mr. Norris had been active in the enforcement of the Sunday law.

Washington, Feb. 28. — Senator Hitchcock pressed forward today the movement for a Senate investigation of the dispute between the United States and Columbia, growing out of the establishment of Panama as a republic. He introduced a resolution asking that the President send to the Senate all correspondence and communications between the United States and Columbia, "if not incompatible with public interests." The Senator tried to secure immediate consideration of the measure, but Senator Root objected and it went over. A week ago he introduced his first resolution demanding a Senate inquiry into the trouble with Senator Lodge's thwarted consideration.

Constantinople, Feb. 28.—It is stated in official circles that Russia has made fresh proposals to the powers with a view to securing an armistice for the discussion of peace between Italy and Turkey.

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Having qualified as administrator of the estate of the late John B. Quelch, of New Hanover County, this is to give notice to all persons indebted to the said estate to make payment to me at once, and all persons holding claims against said estate are notified to present the same to me duly certified on or before February 28th, 1913, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

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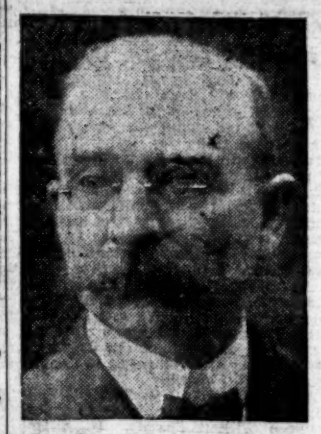

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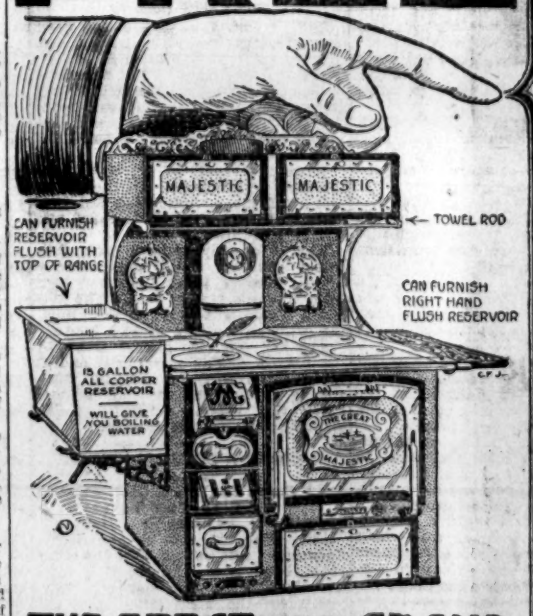
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Bonds and other Securities	131,003.92
Cash and Due by Banks	1,740,898.25
Total	$5,949,415.60

Liabilities:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	485,891.52
Circulation	550,000.00
Special Deposit U. S. Bonds	100,000.00
Deposits	3,988,524.08
Total	$5,949,415.60

Deposits:

February 20th 1908	$2,676,367.92
February 20th, 1910	3,740,652.43
February 20th, 1912	3,988,524.08

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AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Seaboard Improvement at Raleigh—Liquor by Freight—Two Charters—Home Monument to Women of Confederacy

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Seaboard Air Line Railway Co., is just now putting in a new 85-foot turntable at the Johnston street station and shops here to take the place of a 65-foot turntable in use for may years past. While the new turntable is being installed the yard force is greatly handicapped in handling the engines that have to be groomed and cared for here in connection with the Seaboard freight and passenger service.

The freights, especially the Seaboard Air Line freights, from the north are coming to be used more and more for the delivery of whiskies and other liquors here instead of the express which, however, continues to handle an increased volume of the liquors coming into Raleigh. The Seaboard Air Line has found it necessary to provide a special locked apartment in its fine new freight station here for storing and delivering this class of freight, with a special clerk in charge.

A charter was issued today for The Dixie Milling Co., of Burlington, capital $50,000 authorized and $2,000 subscribed for milling grain generally. St. L. Kenordle being one of the principal incorporators. Another charter is for The Pleasant Hill Telephone Co., of Unionville, capital $5,000 by H. W. Williams and others.

It is the purpose of the committee in charge of the work of selecting the design and having erected the monument that Hon. Ashley Horne is to present to the State in memory of the heroism of the women of the Confederacy, to exact a condition in selecting the design that there shall be no duplication of it for any purpose without the consent of the commission. It is their determination that it shall be unique in its design, conveying its own special story of the heroism, devotion and loyalty of the women of North Carolina in this great conflict. The committee has just organized with Hon. J. A. Long, of Roxboro as chairman, and R. D. W. Connor, as secretary, the other members of the committee being Major H. A. London, Pittsboro; Col. W. H. S. Burgwyn, Weldon; Col. J. Bryan Grimes, Raleigh; Mrs. F. M. Williams, Newton. The committee expects to proceed with the least possible delay to select the artist and the design for the monument. It is to consist of a typical North Carolina woman of the sixties on a pedestal that shall tell in bas-relief the story of the contributions of the Southern women to the cause of the Confederacy. The monument is to cost $10,000, is the gift of Col. Ashley Horne to the State and is to be given a place in Capital Square directly opposite the main entrance to the quarter million dollar State administration building that is being erected, Col. Horne being the chairman of the building commission.

On March 8th there will be a new company of coast artillery mustered into the North Carolina National Guard at Hendersonville by Adjutant L. M. Dodamead, of High Point, adjutant of the Coast Artillery Corps. R. B. Ladd is to be the captain of the new company.

FURTHER GIFTS BY DUKES.

Kitchin and Aycock Strong at Durham Accompanying Booker Washington.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 28.—At the regular 11 o'clock service at Memorial Methodist Church Sunday morning, it was announced that Messrs. J. B. and B. N. Duke had donated an additional $20,000 toward the completion of the building. This is a sufficient sum to complete the handsome structure, and work will be started right away, and will continue until the whole edifice is entirely finished. At the present time all of the outside work has been finished, but the inside is still incomplete.

Friends of ex-Governor Aycock and Governor Kitchin have let it be known that they will organize here within the next few days clubs to further the interests of the two men for the Senatorial toga now worn by Senator Simmons. Little has been said in behalf of Simmons and Clark, but there is sentiment for Aycock, and it is generally conceded that Durham is one of the strongholds of the present occupant of the Executive Mansion. Governor Kitchin has favored Durham men rather lavishly in dealing out the plums during his term of office, and it is but natural that he expects something in return. It will be remembered that he appointed Judge Manning to his position as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, as well as gave to Mr. Foushee the jub that Judge Biggs turned loose when he became a member of the faculty of the Trinity Law School.

John Merrick and C. C. Spaulding, two of the principal stockholders in the North Carolina Mutual & Provident Association, the largest negro insurance company in the world, with headquarters in this city, have been invited to accompany Booker T. Washington on a tour of the Southern States to start early in March. The tour will be in the interest of the development of negro life in the South, and will start at Jacksonville, Fla., and will end in Tampa, Fla.

New York, Feb. 28.—Directors of the American Tobacco Company today accepted the resignation of Thomas F. Ryan, which was presented recently, and of Paul Brown, of St. Louis, from the directorate. This was the final day for carrying out the terms of the United States Circuit Court regarding the disintegration of the company. Officers of the company said that all requirements of the decree had been complied with, including the distribution of securities and assets.

He Won't Limp Now.

No more limping for Tom Moore of Cochran, Ga. "I had a bad sore on my instep that nothing seemed to help till I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve," he writes, "but this wonderful healer soon cured me." Heals old, running sores, ulcers, boils, burns, cuts, bruises, eczema or piles. Try it. Only 25 cents at R. R. Bellamy.

University of South Carolina to Play Several North Carolina Schools

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 28.—The baseball schedule for the University of South Carolina this year as announced today, follows:

March 25 and 26—LaFayette at Columbia.
March 30—Boston Nationals at Columbia.
April 3 and 4—Pennsylvania State at Columbia.
April 6—Charleston College at Columbia (not sure).
April 11—A. & M. of North Carolina, at Raleigh.
April 12—Washington and Lee at Lexington.
April 13—V. M. I. at Lexington, Virginia.
April 15—V. P. I. at Blacksburg, Virginia.
April 16—Randolph-macon at Ashland, Va.
April 17—William and Mary at Williamsburg, Va.
April 18—Richmond College at Richmond.
April 20—University of Virginia at Charlottesville.
April 22 and 23—Davidson College at Columbia.
April 30—Wake Forest at Columbia.
May 6, 7 and 8—University of Tennessee at Columbia.

NOTES FROM THE POINT

First Shad of Season—Shipping Notes—Ferry Flat, Etc

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Point, N. C., Feb. 28.—Mayor Bill Carter, of Lane's Ferry, caught the first shad of the season last night. The run is small yet, owing to cold water in which they swim deep but the price is steep. It takes a silver hook, dollar size, to catch them——Two steamers are spoken here this P. M., the W. T. Raggan and the Grayling, loaded with fertilizers. The Emily B., went down this morning with five flats of hickory logs for the Wilmington Handle Co.——The contractors, Messrs. Davis & Shaw, are finishing up an up-to-date ferry flat for Lane's Ferry, a much needed utility since the old one has seen its best days——There are more improved agricultural implements sold this season than usual; fields are being cleared of stumps, but not much plowing on account of heavy rains of January and February——Commodore Haywood Clark, of the A. C. L., is here fixing for a cruise on Northeast river. The squadron will be in service near Cappen, Henry Shaw's, where old hams, yellow yams, five-year-old grape juice and other ship chandlery can be obtained.

EXPRESS RATE HEARING

Manager Zimmerman Says No One Knows How They Are Fixed

Washington, Feb. 28.—Rates of express companies are fixed arbitrarily, practically without reference, even, to the first-class rail-freight rate.

In brief, that was the statement today of Joseph Zimmerman, general traffic manager of the Adams Express Company, at the investigation by the inter-State Commerce Commission into express rates and methods.

"We make our rates regardless of what the freight rate is between the same points," said Mr. Zimmerman. "I suppose no man living knows how express rates originally were made or could say definitely how they are made now."

Further inquiry by Commissioner Lane secured the admission from Mr. Zimmerman that the various express companies leaned on one another in the fixing of the rates to avoid warfare among them.

SPECIAL ORDER ISSUED

President Allows Confederate to Enter Government Hospital

Washington, Feb. 28.— Though Confederate veterans generally are excluded from government hospitals, President Taft today made an exception of Captain J. W. Myers, of Jacksonville, Fla., and ordered that he be admitted to the Army and Navy General Hospital at Hot Springs, Ark. Senator Fletcher informed the President that Captain Myers was crippled with rheumatism and unable to obtain relief anywhere but at Hot Springs where he had been prevented from going because of the expense. The President consulted with Secretary Stimson and issued a special order.

Washington, Feb. 28.—A bill making Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., a brigade cavalry post passed the House today by a vote of 177 to 39, after four hours of debate and stubborn resistence, led by Representative Fitzgerald, of New York. Fort Oglethorpe is now a regimental post. The change is the first of the general plan of the War Department to concentrate troops in fewer garrisons.

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The endorsement referred to by Mr. Partin was in substance as follows: "My back was weak and lame and I had acute pains across my loins. The secretions from my kidneys were highly colored and filled with sediment and caused me much distress when being voided. When I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised, I obtained a box from Bellamy's Drug Store and began their use according to directions. They acted just as represented and drove away all the symptoms of my complaint."

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Assistant Secretary Wanted Stock In Dismal Swamp Development

Washington, Feb. 28.—How Assistant Secretary Hayes, of the Department of Agriculture, offered to take stock in a company to develop swamp lands in Dismal Swamp, North Carolina, was brought up before the House Committee on Agriculture Expenditures today. His offer, it was testified, was made on the solicitation of J. O. Wright, then a drainage engineer in the department and engaged at the time in looking over the North Carolina property.

John Seip, of Chillicothe, Ohio, the promoter of the proposed corporation, told the committee that he abandoned the plan because of Wright's attitude. He testified that Wright was to have received a commission of $5,000 from the State for making the sale of Lake Mattemuskeet and a gift from him of $40,000 in stock in the company when it was organized. This double connection, Mr. Seip said, led him to drop the affair because he feared it would make impossible a clear title to the property. Wright was to have left the government service.

Assistant Secretary Hayes, through Solicitor McCabe, of the department, submitted a statement to the committee. He told of going to North Carolina to look over the property and then of telegraphing to Wright that he would take one-fifth of the stock. The development of Dismal Swamp never was before the department, he said.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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NOTICE—MONITION.

In the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina: Allen Parker, et al., vs. Steamer Susquehanna and Steamer Compton, No. 50 in Admiralty.—In obedience to a Warrant of Seizure to me directed, in the above entitled cause, I have seized and taken into my possession the following described property, to wit: Steamer Susquehanna and Steamer Compton, and their tackle, engines, boilers, machinery, apparel, furniture and other appurtenances, Ocean Fisheries Co., of Wilmington, N. C., claimants. For the causes set forth in the libel now pending in the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Newberne, N. C. I hereby give notice to all persons claiming the said described Steamers Susquehanna and Compton, and appurtenances, or knowing or having anything to say why the same should not be condemned and forfeited and sold, and the proceeds thereof distributed according to the prayer of the libel, that they be and appear before the said Court, to be held in and for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at the United States Court Room, in the City of Newberne, on the 14th day of February, 1912, at 10 o'clock on the forenoon of that day, if the same shall be a day of jurisdiction, otherwise on the next day of jurisdiction thereafter, then and there to interpose a claim for the same, and to make their allegations in that behalf. Claudius Dockery, U. S. Marshal, Eastern District of North Carolina. Wilmington, N. C., February 7, 1912.
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Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	6:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p m	2:30 a m

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No. 90, ‡ 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 12:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, 5:35 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *11:59 P. M.
No. 64, ‡ 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ‡ 6:50 P. M.
No. 48 * 8:30 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (‡) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:30 P. M.
No. 59, ‡ 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, ‡10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, *10:00 A. M.
No. 57, ‡ 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ‡ 8:30 A. M.

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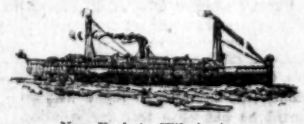

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Thursday, February 29, 1912.

The country is about to go into mountebankruptcy.

Roosevelt's hat is in the ring, but the ring and the hat will be knocked into a cocked hat.

There is the British tory classes, the English his-tory classes, and the American preda-tory classes.

"I know not where you are this night" is the way a poem in Harper's Weekly begins. That's no joke.

It is about time for Col. Bryan to repudiate and expectorate upon the radicalism of Col. Teddy Roosevelt.

Is the country safe, with all sorts of men running for President and running amuck with new fangled ideas?

There doesn't seem to be much ground for a straddler in the present campaign. Everybody is knocking the straddler.

The straw vote is now being taken, and it might be stated that if there is anything as unreliable as a straw vote it is a straw bond.

A man is more of an optimist than he is an athlete if he can smile while he is making a terrible effort to "make both ends meet."

We do not hesitate to say that we stand for the recall. In fact, we are so strongly for it that we would like to see some of its advocates recalled.

Now that this is the gardening season, Secretary Wilson, of the Agricultural Department, urges: "Each individual should plant one or more things." We fancy that President Taft would like to plant one right between the Colonel's eyes.

We would like to see "the judicial Taft" send a few curves over the home plate while Teddy is at the bat with his big stick. The whole country ought to want to see Roosevelt fan out and certainly the game will end up satisfactorily when Taft gets shut out.

The Washington Post observes: "Boston women say that they are going to cling to their tight skirts. Sort of mutual, isn't it?" Well, if they are determined to stick to their tight skirt, it will furnish a good and spectacular imitation of the meeting of two extremes.

Gaby Deslys, the famous Parisian danseuse, gleefully remarks that while she was in New York she received eight proposals of marriage. That's nothing. In a town of 5,000,000 people, about half of whom are all sorts of men, eight is a small proportion of those who are crazy to marry.

Says a contemporary: "Everybody kicks Col. Bryan's dog around." It's curious, too, for most of those who do it could be put up a tree for stealing the Nebraskan's thunder. However, if Col. Bryan really is unpopular, it proves that logic has its exceptions. Resolved, Which is the greater—the stolen idea or the man with the original idea?

Col. Roosevelt now says he is not for "the recall of the judge" but is for the recall of the judge's decision if it doesn't suit the people. If we are any judge, that would be tieing the can to "the judge". By George, if we people have got to pass on judicial decisions at the ballot box, we should waste no time in studying the State and National constitutions and in taking a course of law from some correspondence school. If most of us were to study "Greenleaf on Evidence," we might be able to convict ourselves of being ten thousand different kinds of fools.

SQUARE DEAL FOR TAFT

It is a time-honored precedent for both parties to give their Presidents a nomination for a second term. Indeed, the rule is so generally recognized that very few men have ever offered for the nomination in opposition to a President who had served only one term as the Nation's Chief Magistrate. The only justification for a violation of that precedent would be a lack of fidelity to the party and failure to wisely administer the affairs of the country in accordance with the policy of the political party which elected him.

President Taft is serving out his first term and is a candidate for renomination. He is entitled to it—unless he has broken faith with his party and has failed to carry out its platform. However President Taft claims that he has carried out that platform to a letter, and only the insurgent Republicans rise up to dispute it. However, the insurgents do not know a thing about it. If they will go back and read the Chicago platform of 1908, they will observe that President Taft not only carried out that platform but he even exercised the veto power to sustain the protection policy of his party. That platform speaks for itself, and the principle thing that was in it was its tariff plank and its guarantee of profits to the special interests of the country. It held out the idea of tariff revision by its friends, but every line appearing to be a pledge of revision had in it a loophole big enough for the G. O. P. elephant to go through.

The insurgents and a whole lot of others were fooled by the platform. It never declared what they thought it did. President Taft understood it the right way and he was faithful to his trust and all other trusts. He stood by protection for them and that is what the Republican party stood for. It is still standing for it, and the Democratic House is blocked by a Republican President and Senate which is still carrying out the platform. If President Taft has not carried out the platform, neither has the Senate, for the President and the old line Republicans have always stood together on the platform. If President Taft's administration has been unpopular and disappointing to the masses and has caused a split in the party, the blame must be placed on the platform. He carried it out and has done so in as able a manner as any other protectionist President, and, therefore, he is entitled to renomination. That is what he will get, too, for the Republican party would repudiate its own self by repudiating a President who knew a platform when he saw it.

We assert, without the fear of successful contradiction, that the Taft administration has been distinctly Republican. The people know it, too, because they have suffered from the Republican policy which taxes the many to enrich the few. Taft is entitled to renomination by courtesy. He has earned renomination by fidelity to his party in carrying out a Republican platform framed for special interests. Taft's administration absolutely has been characteristically Republican and the Republican party ought therefore to give him a square deal.

THE HAPPY ROOSEVELT.

"I am perfectly happy now," said ex-President Theodore Roosevelt in Boston on Monday, "because I am making a straightout fight for a principle. The issue is in no way a personal one."

We rather think the ex-President meant what he said, but he spelled "principal", wrong. In spelling it "principle" he is liable to mislead people, but it will not mislead President Taft. The President knows the difference between "principal" and "principle." A great many other folks ought to know it, too.

However, we fail to see why Col. Roosevelt is so happy. He is a third-termer whether he lands three times consecutively or "comes back" after a lapse of four years. During his former two terms he acquired a thirst for power and that is precisely what made President Diaz hold on to power in Mexico so long till he had to be overthrown by a revolution. The American prejudice against a third-term, consecutively or intermittently, was based on the fear of the very thirst and greed for power which has taken possession of Roosevelt. The founders of the great American Republic foresaw the danger in long leases of power and they knew that there was in it the possibility of danger to the principles of liberty and the menace of revolution, just as was the result of the prolonged Diaz regime in Mexico. We can't see how Roosevelt is "happy", because he is now a third-termer, his specious plea to the contrary, notwithstanding.

The Rough Rider ought to be unhappy because he is violating his distinct declaration that under no circumstances would he accept a third term. He ought to be happy for holding aloof from President Taft before he had even been tried out as an executive. He never gave Taft time to make a mistake, for his aloofness began before Taft had performed a single executive act of any consequence. He held aloof for a purpose and that studied purpose was to take the nomination away from Taft at the end of his term. He stayed away from Taft in order to avoid the appearance of being treacherous to a friend. He "cut out" Taft in order to appear consistent in wresting a second nomination from him.

Nevertheless, Roosevelt demonstrates his consistency while endeavoring to exemplify it. For instance, at Boston on Monday, he was asked: "Do you intend to support the Republican nominee, whoever he may be?" His laconic answer was: "Of course, I shall." Then where is his consistency in opposing President Taft for the nomination? If Taft is good enough for him to support as the Republican nominee, he is good enough for the Republican nomination. Then why is he opposing the nomination of a man he will support if he is nominated? What reason has he why he should not support Taft for re-nomination and re-election?

He must have a reason, and if it is because he considers that Taft does not deserve to be nominated he certainly ought to refuse to support him for the same reason. If Taft is good enough to vote for he certainly is good enough to be nominated. The Colonel, therefore, is inconsistent, or overly ambitious, in opposing Taft's nomination, except upon very strong grounds. His fight against him must either be upon exceedingly strong grounds or it is inexcusable and unjustifiable.

FREE TRADE HELPS PHILIPPINES

The Republican administration is now boasting that trade between the United States and the Philippines has more than doubled in the brief period since the enactment of the existing tariff law, which admits Philippine products, except rice, free of duty into the United States and admits the products of the United States free of duty into the Philippines.

In other words, we have free trade with the Philippines except as to the one article of rice. In 1911 we imported from the Philippines commidities to the value of $20,212,917, and we exported to the islands American products valued at $20,928,753. There is a balance of trade of nearly three quarters of a million dollars in favor of the United States, in spite of the fact that Republicans feared competition with the Philippines and opposed letting down the bars to them.

Liberal trade relations with Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines has greatly increased our commerce, and it is a good object lesson for those people who insist that the American people must shut themselves in from the markets of the world. While doing it, we shut ourselves out. More reciprocity and more free exchange of products seems to build up commerce.

The unrest of most of the people is on account of the rest of the people who are doing the misgoverning of the country. These periods of unrest produce socialists and anarchists. Things would ease up if the government were conducted economically in the interests of the people instead of for a few of the people.

Owing to the great noise and confusion of the past ten days, it should be stated in thunder tones that Senators LaFollette and Cummins are somewhere in the "fight to the finish." Their artillery has been silenced, but their stock of ammunition has never been exhausted. Just now they are bravely defending a position of utter consternation.

Says Col. Richmond Pearson, one of the leading Republicans of western North Carolina: "Taft has split the party." Col. Pearson wants to punish the party splitter by nominating Col. Roosevelt. Yes, but why punish the whole country for what Taft has done? Er-er-the fact is, President Taft deserves a reward for splitting the party. It needed splitting.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Joe Cannon's statement that the Republican party does not know whether "it is afoot or on horseback" shows that despite the loss of his office he retains his old-time accuracy of diagnosis and aptness of expression.—New York World.

If it be true that President Taft "trusted Col. Roosevelt's loyalty to him, and placed implicit confidence in the Colonel's pledge that in no circumstances would he accept another nomination for President," another argument against President Taft's re-election is furnished. A gentleman, however honest and sincere he may be, and however good his intentions, who so little understood Col. Roosevelt, after years of close acquaintance with him, is too credulous and "easy" to occupy the responsible post of President of the United States.—Columbia State.

Col. Roosevelt, of couse, did not leap without looking. There is a great deal at stake for him. If he loses the nomination or if he wins the nomination and loses the election by the majority that he ought to lose it he will be the most discredited man in the country. Then he must have had what he regarded as strong assurances that he could win. But it must be remembered that the demagogues make more noise than anybody else and that they also have the habit of claiming that the people are with them without knowing anything about what the people are going to do. These people have succeeded in making Col. Roosevelt believe that demagogy is rampant in the land and that hysteria has seized the whole people. A thousand or so of them can make a lot of noise because that is their business and they are making noise all the time. But while a few thousand of them, or even a few hundred thousand, are making noise overtime fifteen million other men are keeping quiet, but looking on and will be heard from when the time comes.—Raleigh Times.

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Men Being Whipped Into Line—Athletic Association

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—With the passing of Washington's Birthday when the baseball men are excused from drill, regular practice has been taken up at A. & M., and will be held daily until the end of the season.

In his capacity of Athletic Director at A. & M., "Eddie" Greene will have charge of the baseball squad and will do the coaching. He has had the candidates for the team out for practice every afternoon that the weather permitted for the past week, the Athletic Field presenting a very busy scene. In the latter part of January when the men first went out, the squad was composed of nearly seventy men but it has now been cut down to a working basis and consists of about 35 candidates; it will be cut still further before the season opens on March 18th.

The hardest problem that Coach Greene and Captain Seifert will have to solve this season is the development of a first baseman, this being the only infield position that is open, all of the others being filled with regulars from last year's varsity.

Members of the 1911 varsity team who have reported so far for the team are Captain Seifert, catcher; Robertson, Stafford and Tucker, pitchers; Patton, second base; Hartsell, shortstop; Speer, third base, and Page, utility man.

At the organization meeting of the South Atlantic Intercollegiate Athletic Association, held in Richmond last Saturday, the fohowing officers were elected: President, J. T. England, Johns Hopkins; vice president, G. P. Miles, V. P. I.; secretary, C. H. Pollard, Washington and Lee; treasurer, Dr. B. J. Ray, A. & M. The colleges composing the association are Johns Hopkins, Georgetown, Washington and Lee, V. P. I., Richmond College, North Carolina and A. M. It is proposed to hold a big track meet early in May in either Richmond or Baltimore, in which representatives from each college in the association will compete.

SCHOOL LEADERS IN SESSION.

National Educational Association Elects Officers for Ensuing Year

St. Louis, Feb. 28.—The department of superintendents, of the National Educational Association, tonight elected these officers:

F. B. Dyer, Cincinnati, Ohio, president; Samuel Hamilton, superintendent of schools, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, first vice president; B. W. Torreyson, States Department of Education, Little Rock, Ark., secretary.

Philadelphia was selected as the 1913 convention city.

Resolutions were adopted urging the creation of a National Children's Bureau and asking Congress for recognition of the need of an enlargement of the Department of Education.

The National Committee on Agricultural Education elected these officers: H. H. Seeley, president of the Colorado Iowa State Teachers College Iowa, president; E. E. Balcomb, Agricultural Department, North Carolina State College, Greensboro, N. C., secretary.

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Y. M. C. A. DINNER CONFERENCE

Rally In Interest of Building Fund Campaign Will Be Held Next Tuesday Evening—Prominent Visitors

Invitations were sent out from the offices of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday morning to scores of business men and other prominent citizens of the community to attend a citizens' dinner conference to be held in the association building next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, at which the campaign for $100,000 with which to build the handsome new home for the institution will be formally launched, though no funds will be solicited at the gathering.

The conference will be featured by addresses by Rev. Dr. S. C. Mitchell, of Columbia, president of the University of South Carolina, and Mr. A. T. Stratton, also of Columbia. The invitations read as follows:

You are invited to attend
A Citizens' Dinner Conference
in the interest
of the New Building for the
Young Men's Christian Association
of Wilmington
at the Young Men's Christian Association Building
Tuesday Evening, March Fifth
nineteen hundred and twelve
at seven o'clock
Rev. S. C. Mitchell, President University of South Carolina
A. T. Stratton, Columbia, S. C.
will be guests of honor
Informal No solicitation of funds
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Please reply to Mr. W. B. Cooper

The object of the gathering is to discuss Young Men's Christian Associations in general and the Wilmington association in particular. Rev. Dr. S. C. Mitchell, president of the University of South Carolina, will be one of the principal speakers. His topic will be "The Young Man, Our Country's Most Valuable Asset." Dr. Mitchell is a fine speaker and he is thoroughly familiar with this topic. He will undoubtedly give a most interesting address.

Mr. Stratton, the other speaker of the occasion, is general secretary of the association at Columbia. He has been in the association work a good many years and is thoroughly posted on his topic, "The Modern Association in An Up-to-Date Building." He will also be listened to with close attention.

In addition to these there will be a number of short talks by some of Wilmington's leading citizens. On the whole the affair promises to be a most interesting gathering. Responses to the invitations are already being received. The ladies in charge want to know just how many will be present and consequently urge all who expect to attend to send in the responses promptly.

TESTING WELL WATER

Health Department Takes Up New Line of Sanitary Investigation

A new line of health investigation is being carried on by the health department and it consists of making analysis of the water from the surface or shallow wells of the city, with a view of determining whether or not this water is suitable for drinking purposes and human consumption. The work was started yesterday, and out of water from seven wells tested, all showed evidences of chemical pollution.

The health department has installed an analysis test case used by the British army in making field tests of water to determine if it is suitable for drinking and domestic purposes. The system used is the chimical test, and not the bacteriological method. While the city has a regularly employed city chemist, he is engaged practically all of the time for the present in working on the water from the municipal system, and would not be able to give its attention to the well water until Summer at least. The health department officials are extremely anxious to have all the well water tested long before Summer, and it is for this reason that they have decided to do the work themselves. They hope to have completed analyses of water from every well in the city long before that time, and will pursue the work as rapidly as possible. When evidences of pollution are discovered the property owners and users will be notified so that they may be on their guard.

Complaint Filed Yesterday

Complaint was filed in Superior Court yesterday in the case of the Gibbes Machinery Co., against the Tidewater Power Co., an action for damages in the sum of $250, for alleged injury to an automobile owned by the plaintiff and in charge of its local agent, Mr. R. G. McCreight. It is alleged that on the night of September 27th, 1911, at 10:05 o'clock, the automobile was struck by a street car on Red Cross, between Second Third streets, and seriously damaged. The automobile, it is alleged, had been stopped to let out a companion of Mr. McCreight and before it could be started again the street car struck it with such force the auto was badly damaged. It is further set forth in the complaint that the defendant company refused to pay any damages or to have the car put in as good condition as it was before the accident.

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: R. A. Jarrell and wife to H. F. Farrow and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot in Winter Park Gardens, on Third street, 358 feet south of Strawberry avenue; J. N. Shepard and wife to N. E. Farrow and wife, for $500 and other considerations, two tracts in Harnett township, containing about 67 1-2 acres, also a third tract near head of Everett's Creek.

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INSTITUTE COMES TO CLOSE

Final Session of Sunday School Meeting Was Held Last Night—Good Attendance Marked the Whole Series.

Following a series of highly interesting and successful meetings, the Sunday School Institute which has been in progress at the First Baptist Church since Sunday, came to a close with the final session last night. Both the afternoon and evening sessions yesterday were largely attended and the one in the evening especially so.

The attendance throughout the series of meetings has been unusually good and the enthusiasm manifested speaks well for the future results which may be expected from the institute. Mr. E. L. Middleton, State Sunday School secretary, Dr. P. E. Burroughs, teacher training secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, and Prof. J. H. Highsmith, of Wake Forest College, who have conducted the institute and have been the principal speakers at all the meetings, made fine impressions on the many Wilmington people who heard them, and their addresses, besides being highly intellectual, were also of a deep inspirational and spiritual type. It is felt that the good influences as a result of the institute will be far reaching and effective in the Wilmington Sunday Schools.

The devotional service at the afternoon meeting were conducted by Rev. A. C. Chaffin, pastor of Seagate Baptist Church, and he was followed by Mr. Middleton, who spoke on "The Organized Class". Prof. Highsmith delivered an address on "The Child—the Stages of Development." The session was ciased by a talk by Dr. Burroughs on "After Conversion—What?"

Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, the pastor, led the devotional service at the evening session, which was the closing one of the institute. Thirty-one certificates for attendance upon more than 15 lectures were awarded at this session. Mr. Middleton spoke on "The B. Y. P. U.—Why? How?" and Dr. Burroughs delivered the last address of the institute, speaking on "The Blameless Boy." All the speeches yesterday were up to the high standard of those delivered at the previous meetings and they held the attention of the audience to the last.

Mr. Middleton, Dr. Burroughs and Prof. Highsmith go from here to Winterville, N. C., where they will conduct another institute.

WILL GIVE SUPPER TONIGHT.

Trade Extension Association Event at Colonial Inn.

The first banquet of the Wilmington Trade Extension Association, organized some months ago, will be given this evening at the Colonial Inn and will be attended by 30 or 40 membtrs of the organization. Invitations to the event were sent out yesterday by Mr. Howard B. Branch, the secretary. The dining room will open at 9 o'clock and the affair will continue until 11 o'clock. Mr. W. B. Cooptr, president of the association, will preside as toastmaster, and toasts will be responded to by Captain M. W. Stickle, United States engineer in charge of this district, who will doubtless tell the meeting something of the progress of waterways development in his district; Mr. Chas. L. Van Noppen, Messrs. M. W. Jacobi and Abe Schultz.

FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

Elizabethtown and Lumberton Donations Acknowledged Yesterday.

The Star has received and forwarded to the Wilmington Chapter of the National Red Cross Society the following additional contributions to the China Famine Relief Fund: Collection taken up at Elizabethtown, N. C., and forwarded through R. S. White, Esq., $17.75. Five dollars from Mrs. Laura Norment, Lumberton, N. C., through Mr. W. M. Cumming.

It is announced that the conditions in the stricken district are far from abated and that the Red Cross Society con still use all the money that is sent. The Star will be glad to acknowledge and forward any further contributions.

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This bank claims as depositors people from nearly every State in the Union, including the District of Columbia. It also receives deposits from foreign countries who are influenced to deposit their money with this bank, for the reason that it is known as an absolutely safe savings institution managed entirely by conservative men. They also act as a depository for the United States government, the city of Wilmington and the county of New Hanover.

If you should see fit to make a deposit there on or before Saturday, March 2nd, your funds will draw interest from March 1st, receiving four months interest on July 1st.

This bank is also open on Saturday nights from seven to nine and the deposits made there at this time will draw interest from March 1st. You could not find a better time to open a savings account nor could you find a stronger or better bank than The People's Savings Bank, on the corner of Front and Princess street, the most prominent bank location in our city. **

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POLITICS WAXING WARMER

Petitions Being Circulated Asking County Commissioners McEachern and Vollers to Run Again—More Rumors.

The local political situation is waxing warmer as the date of the Democratic primary approaches. Friends of the different candidates in the race for the various county and legislative offices are very active and are putting forth every effort to win votes for their favorites. There is every indication that the campaign will be one of the warmest as well as the shortest held in New Hanover county in many years. The chief fight will be between the two candidates for the State Senate.

There were no new candidates to enter the race yesterday for county or legislative offices. There was a rumor that a meeting was to be held last night at the Pythian Hall for the purpose of bringing out another candidate for the House of Representatives. The meeting was duly called some days ago, but so far as could be learned it was attended by only a few, if indeed it was held at all. A few persons met at the hall for a conference, but whether it was a political meeting or not was not learned. A number of persons who had been invited did not attend, being engaged elsewhere.

The most interesting rumor perhaps yesterday was to the effect that a petition is being circulated asking for signatures urging Chairman Duncan McEachern and Mr. H. L. Vollers to enter the race an candidates to succeed themselves on the Board of County Commissioners. Neither Mr. McEachern nor Mr. Vollers has announced definitely his position with reference to running again. When questioned a few days ago Mr. McEachern said that he had not yet given the matter any thought and Mr. Vollers declined to make any statement as to his intentions. It was reported early yesterday that both Messrs. McEachern and Vollers had decided to aspire for re-nomination, but this was probably without foundation as it was reported last night that the petition urging their candidacy was just put in circulation during the day. It is believed by a great many that both will finally announce themselves as candidates to succeed themselves. An endorsement of these gentlemen with Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., is published elsewhere in today's paper.

Mr. M. W. Divine stated some days ago that he will not be a candidate to succeed himself on the Board of Commissioners and yesterday that a number of friends are urging Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., to aspire for the honor. It was reported that the idea of those ciculating the petition is to induce Messrs. McEachern and Vollers to make the race to succeed themselves and Mr. MacMillan to succeed Mr. Divine.

MR. W. H. KING DEAD

Passed Away at Home of Parents Yesterday Morning—Funeral

Friends throughout the city yesterday were saddened to learn of the death of Mr. Wm. Henry King, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. King, which occurred yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock at the family residence, No. 416 Queen street, following an illness of only a week of pneumonia. The deceased was a young man of sterling qualities and bright and cheerful disposition. He was a member of Southside Baptist church and had hundreds of friends. He was only 18 years of age, and was just entering the portals of early manhood when cut down by the ruthless destroyer. Mr. King is survived by his father and mother, two brothers, Mr. James King, of this city, and Mr. W. E. King, of Norfolk, Va., and two sisters, Mrs. J. W. King and Miss Mattie King, both of Wilmington, all of whom will have the tenderest sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

The funeral will be held from Southside Baptist church this afternoon at 4 o'clock. In the absence of Rev. W. G. Hall, the pastor, the services will be conducted by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church. Interment will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

CLOTHING CAUGHT FIRE

Little Albert Loughlin Badly Burned While at Play Yesterday

Master Albert Loughlin, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Loughlin, of No. 116 Church street, was badly though not seriously burned yesterday about noon when his clothes caught from a match. The lad and a little playmate, both dressed in cowboy uniforms, were playing on the streets, and the fringe on the leg of the little fellow's trousers ignited from a match. The flames spread rapidly over his clothes and the child began to scream, running towards his home in the meantime. David Bowden, a colored delivery man, was passing and with remarkable coolness he ran and wrapped the child in some sacks on his wagon, smothering the flames. But for his prompt action the little one might have been fatally burned.

The child was carried to the home of his parents and Dr. C. T. Harper was summoned. He administered aid and the little one was resting as easily as could be expected last night. Dr. Harper said that though very painful, the child's injuries were not serious.

Funeral of Miss Lydia Faulk

The funeral of Miss Lydia Estella Faulk, whose death occurred at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. H. Faulk, at Delgado, Tuesday evening, will be held from the residence this morning at 10:30 o'clock. Mr. A. J. Howell, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will conduct the services. Interment will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We wish publicly to thank Captain Schnibben and his brave men of the Fire Department for their prompt and effective work in handling the fire at our store yesterday morning. Had it not been fo their quick response much damage would have resulted, not only to us but to the surrounding property.

C. W. YATES & COMPANY.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

Sanitary Closet Ordinance Cases Called—Many Drunks Again.

Four cases, the first of their kind, charging the defendants with alleged violations of the sanitary closet law, came up in the Recorder's court yesterday morning, but on request of Assistant City Attorney Geo. L. Peschau were continued until tomorrow morning. The defendants were Capt. John H. Barry, Mr. W. H. Cox, Mr. E. T. Mason and Mr. I. Shain, and it is said that they, along with the others who will be indicted under the same charge, will contest the cases vigorously. Woodus Kellum, Esq., has been engaged as counsel for the defendants and he stated yesterday that it was the purpose of those who are indicted to resist the ordinance strenuously, and if necessary, to carry the cases to the highest courts before they will comply with its terms.

The vigorous protests aroused last Summer when City Council first passed the ordinance requiring sanitary closets to be installed on all premises not connected with a sewerage system, and the "recall" movement which sprang out of the displeasure of those fighting it, are well remembered by the public, and it is prophecied by some that more lively times are ahead. The "recall" petitions, which were circulated at that time and which are still in the hands of the leaders of the movement, it is presumed, may be brought out again. It is said that some of those most active in the recall movement are among the number for whom warrants have been issued for alleged violations of the law.

The remainder of the session yesterday morning was of little interest. A St. George, colored, was found guilty of disorderly conduct and was fined $5 and costs. Robert Reaves, colored, aged 15, was charged with an assault and battery upon Elias Miller, another negro boy. Judgment was suspended on account of the defendant's youth. Seven "drunks" contributed the usual $5 and costs. Though the "blind tigers" are popularly supposed to be out of business now, there still seems to be some way of obtaining whiskey, judging from the number arrested and tried on charges of being drunk, drunk and down, or drunk and disorderly. From the violence of some of the latter cases late, the quality of the fire water obtainable in Wilmington now is to be seriously questioned.

Johnson Blakely Elects

At the regular monthly meeting last night Johnson Blakely Lodge of Perfection No. 5, A. A. S. R., officers for the ensuing year were elected and those who were present were installed. Officers were elected as follows: Venable Master, C. B. Newcombe; Senior Warden, H. E. Longley; Junior Warden, R. H. Pickett; secretary, W. A. Munds; treasurer, E. E. David; almoner, W. B. McKoy. The appointive officers will be named within the next few days.

March 1st - - Interest!

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MADAME NORDICA COMING

Gifted Singer Will Probably Visit Wilmington In March

The music lovers of Wilmington will be pleased to know that there is a strong probability that Madame Nordica, the gifted and widely known soprano singer, will visit Wilmington and give a concert on Monday evening, March 11th. This will be one of the greatest musical treats of the season and if an engagement is given she will doubtless be greeted by a large audience.

Mr. Harry W. Bell, her representative, arrived yesterday to make arrangements for her appearance in this city on the date mentioned. He will remain here over today and it is hoped and expected that announcement will be made during the day that Wilmington will be included in the itinerary. Madame Nordica visited Wilmington a number of years ago and those who heard here at that time will welcome the opportunity to hear her again. She is known personally to a number of Wilmington people and as she gives only two concerts a week she will most likely spend two or three days here. Her visit to a city is always a social as well as musical event. It is expected that she will come here on Friday of next week from Norfolk, where a concert will be given on Thursday night, and remain here until Tuesday. Madame Nordica has a most attractive programme, nearly all of her songs being in English, and she sings all told 17 or 18 songs at each concert. She is visiting only a few of the larger towns on her present tour, and Wilmington music lovers will be fortunate indeed if this city is included.

Mme. Nordica's career is well-known to all music lovers. She is an American by birth and an entousiastic American in precept, feeling and action. She is now at the zenith of her powers. She is gifted with a wonderful voice and great personal beauty. She is accompanied on her present tour by Myron W. Whitney, basso, and Romyne Simmons, pianist. Local music lovers will hope that arrangements may be made by which she will give a concert in Wilmington on the date named.

AMOUNT OF DAMAGE UNKNOWN

Store of Messrs. C. W. Yates & Co., Open for Business Yesterday

Messrs. C. W. Yates & Co., whose stock and store was damaged by fire and water early yesterday morning, have as yet placed no estimate on the probable amount of the damage, most of which was caused by the water thrown on the building to conquer the flames. On the second floor, however, where the blaze started, presumably from a defective flue in the building adjoining, some goods were destroyed and damaged by fire.

The store was open for business yesterday as usual and will probably remain open, as it is not thought that it will be necessary to close for repairs, which will be stated soon. It is thought that all damage is fully covered by insurance. The insurance adjuster has been notified by wire and is expected today or tomorrow.

Paris, Feb. 27.—Confirmation of reports that the powers are contemplating intervention with the object of bringing the Turco-Italian war to an end is given in a semi-official note published here today. France, according to this note, is ready to associate herself in any collective action which may be taken by the powers in making representations to each of the belligerents with the view of finding a basis for mediation and bringing about peace.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 28.—The yonngster division of the Philadelphia American League team was beaten today 8 to 6, by the San Antonio team of the Texas League in their first exhibition game of the year.

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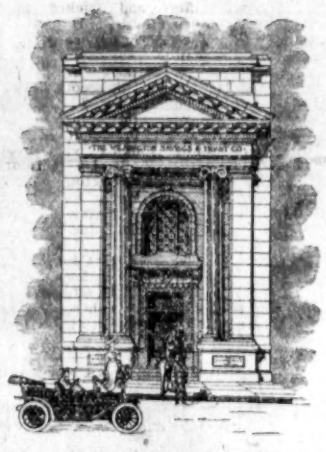

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Mrs. J. Duval Robertson returned yesterday morning from Baltimore, where she went to attend the funeral of her father, Dr. J. E. Newell.

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Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer: "Miss Kate Sinclair has gone to Wilmington on a visit."

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Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Gates, of New York, who have been visiting in the South during the Winter, are stopping at The Colonial Inn for a short while before returning to their home.

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Under the auspices of the Wilmington Chapter, W. C. T. U., a Frances Willard Memorial service will be held at Brooklyn Baptist church this evening at 8:30 o'clock. Rev. J. A. Sullivan, the pastor, will deliver an address and a most interesting programme has been arranged. The public is cordially invited.

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Clinton, N. C., Feb. 28.—The marriage of Miss Bessie Oates to Mr. L. P. Faison was solemnized at 5 o'clock this afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Oates, near here. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. L. Clark, of Clinton. Mr. Elliott Pigford was best man and Miss Annia Lasnele Oates, maid of honor. The bride is a most estimable and attractive young woman and the groom is a widely known and popular young man.

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MRS. JAMES SPRUNT ON VISIT TO SISTER IN ATLANTA.

The following from Tuesday's Atlanta Georgian will be of interest to many friends in Wilmington and throughout the State:

"A number of interesting women are in the city this week, among whom is Mrs. James Sprunt, of Wilmington, N. C., who is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Ellis, on Peachtree road. Mrs. Sprunt is en route to Washington, D. C., where she goes to read a paper before the National convention of the Colonial Dames of America. She is State president of the Colonial Dames of North Carolina. Mrs. Sprunt and her husband, who was the German consul and is now the British vice consul in Wilmington, entertain extensively, and their two handsome city and country homes are the center of social life."

The following from yesterday's Georgian will also be of much interest here:

"Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis will sail on the Olympic on June 8th, and with them will be a family party, including Mrs. Ellis' two sisters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. James Sprunt, of Wilmington, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Carter, of Baltimore, also Miss Frances Ellis and Mr. Lawrence Sprunt, of Wilmington, with his charming bride, now Miss Amoret Price, of Baltimore. Their engagement was recently announced, the wedding to take place on June 1st, in Baltimore. The party will join Miss Katherine Ellis, who is at school at Neuilly, and after a stay in Paris will go to Switzerland for the Summer, and later to England, remaining abroad a year."

LOCAL DOTS.

Sheriff Clark, of Bladen county, passed through the city last night with W. A. Bullard, an insane white man, whom he is taking to Raleigh to the asylum.

—Willie Brown, colored, was arrested yesterday by Patrolman H. G. Bullard on a warrant charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon upon Alex. Hall, colored. It is alleged that a piece of iron was the weapon used.

—Chas. Mulford, a white man, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer D. W. Coleman, a member of the plain clothes squad, on a warrant charging him with vagrancy. His case will probably be heard in the Recorder's court this morning.

—K. C. Sidbury, Esq., who has been spoken of during the past few days as a possible candidate for the State Senate, said yesterday that he had been approached by friends and urged to run, and that while he had not given any definite answer, he did not think he would enter the race.

—Councilman B. C. Moore, in charge of the Department of Public Safety, is attending Superior Court at Kenansville. Judge Oliver H. Allen, of Kinston, is presiding. Rumor had it yesterday that he had gone to Kenansville to take up with Judge Allen a matter in connection with the "blind tiger" situation here. He is interested in a civil action to be heard before Judge Allen this week and this is probably the reason of his presence there. During his absence the department is in charge of Mayor Joseph D. Smith.

Married Yesterday Morning

Mr. John Howard and Miss Annie Green, both of Wilmington, were married yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the office of Justice G. W. Bornemann, the genial "Judge," performing the ceremony in his usual impressive and happy style. The marriage was witnessed by quite a number of friends, who, upon conclusion of the ceremony, tendered their heartiest congratulations and best wishes. Justice Bornemann entertained the wedding party with a number of selections on his accordeon, including the "Wedding March," and also with sevarl vocal solos. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Howard, of Onslow county, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Green, of this city. The young couple will make their home here, where they have many friends.

Almost Lost His Life.

S. A. Stid, of Mason, Mich., will never forget his terrible exposure to a merciless storm. "It gave me a dreadful cold," he writes, "that caused severe pains in my chest, so it was hard for me to breathe. A neighbor gave me several doses of Dr. King's New Discovery which brought great relief. The doctor said I was on the verge of pneumonia, but to continue with the Discovery. I did so and two bottles completely cured me." Use only this quick, safe, reliable medicine for coughs, colds, or any throat or lung trouble. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

—Among yesterday's arrivals at The Orton were Chas. S. Wallace, Morehead City, and H. S. Allen, of Bolton.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were W. L. Clement, Greensboro; Wm. Walker James, Raleigh; A. B. Croom, Burgaw; Chas. S. Wallace, Morehead City; R. T. Gaitley, Rowland; J. M. Council, Wananish; J. Bayard Clark, Elizabethtown.

—Among the guests at The Southern Hotel yesterday were F. F. Parker, Charlotte; E. H. Walton, Mount Airy; F. J. Fearal, Greensboro; G. R. Dixon, Westbrook; J. W. Blake, Folkstone; A. G. Blake, D. S. Black, V. M. Cashwell, Burgaw; Guy Trippe, Kinston; D. L. Moore, Clinton.

TRIP-HAMMER VERDICT

Shaved to $1,000 by Judge Cook at Greensboro — Murder Trial

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 28.—Holding that $2,500 damage verdict in the trip-hammer case was excessive Judge Cook this morning in Superior Court shaved the amount down to $1,000—and he said, looking toward the counsel for the plaintiff: "If you are not satisfied with that I will fix a price on the entire property and see if this matter can't be settled in some manner." It is understood that the outcome will be the offer to Mr. Moorefield to accept $1,000 from the Standard Boiler and Machine Company and continue the ownership of his present property, or to sell the whole outright for $3,000 and move out. The property originally cost Mr. Moorefield $2,500 and it is now estimated to be worth $3,000. Last week a Superior Court jury held that by reason of the close proximity of the trip-hammer it had been damaged to the extent of $2,500. Before cutting the verdict Judge Cook made a personal visit to the hammer and property of the plaintiff, the defendant company giving the court a sample of the alleged piercing and health-breaking noise which comes from the hammer.

In Superior Court this morning Ed. Hodgin was arraigned for the murder of John Lovett and work of selecting a jury from a special venire of 75 occupied the morning session. The evidence was begun at noon and will require possibly the remainder of today's and tomorrow morning's sessions.

There was an unexpected turn in the Hodgin murder case late this afternoon, when at the completion of the State's evidence, Judge Cook ordered the release of the prisoner, holding that the evidence was not sufficient to establish more than a suspicion against him.

Hodgin himself supplied the next unusual turn by making a bee line to the office of the Register of Deeds and applying for a marriage license. Miss Esther Bates, of High Point, had agreed that in the event of acquittal she would become Mrs. Hodgins. She stuck to her bargain.

NEGRO IS HELD

An Arrest in Raleigh's Asphyxiation Case—Witness Held

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The coroner's jury held F. W. Goss, of Durham, today, without bail to answer at the March term of Wake court, the charge of implication in the alleged murder and robbery of the three Benson young men, Johnson, Jernigan and Porter, in the Wilson apartments play. In the final session of the jury being that the men came to their death of asphyxiation through foul play. tA the final session of the jury today Goss testified that he bought the revolver sent here from Durham as pawned by him from a negro in front of the Arcade theatre at night and did not know who the negro was. He was ticket seller at the Arcade. He claims to have pawned it on Sunday, February 4th, which was the day before the tragedy in the Wilson apartments. The prosecution claims to have evidence that Alton Johnson had a revolver identical with that Goss pawned and evidence that Goss pawned his Tuesday after the three men were found dead in the Wilson apartments.

There is talk of a habeas corpus proceeding for Goss, though no steps are yet taken.

This afternoon Maynard (Cutie) Moseley was committed to jail by Coroner Seaparks in default of $1,000 bond as an important witness in the case, the understanding being that Solicitor Norris really intends to undertake to prove that he was an accomplice with F. W. Goss in the alleged murder and robbery of the three men. Also, Solicitor Norris declares that he has discovered evidence since the recess of the jury today of a most important character that would have resulted in the holding of others had it been in hand for the jury before it made up its finding.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 28—Fire broke out in the forward hold of the British steamer Mercedes De Larrinaga early today and as a result between 1,600 and 1,700 bales of cotton are more or less damaged. The extent of the fire damage will not be ascertained until the cotton is taken out. The fire was confined to one hold and was extinguished this afternoon.

Sewall W. Smith, of Skowhegan, Maine, has an umbrella which he believes to be 120 years old. Staghorn handle, thick staff, whalebone ribs, chased brass ferule; weight 2 1-2 pounds.

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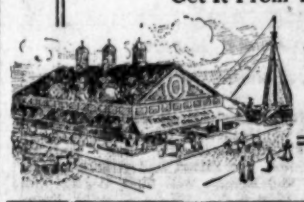

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..Theatrical..

Tonight the Academy will offer another of its premier attractions and one which without doubt is superb in every way. It will be a big Cohan & Harris production of "The Fortune Hunter" and the cast will be the original one that so delighted New York city. So truly tonight's event can well be proclaimed one of the best of the season and will likely be witnessed by a big audience. Seats went on sale at Plummer's yesterday.

The attraction has received an unbroken string of tributes, and from yesterday's Columbia State is taken the following:

"Everybody who went to the Columbia theatre last night came away with a better idea of how to gain riches and happiness, for 'The Fortune Hunter' is rather a teacher than a 'new American comedy.' There were plenty of bright lines and some original funny characters, yet these did not overshadow the 'rules laid down' for the young never-do-well who was a burden on society until he found the pleasures of work. He went into the world, according to the rules, met a man ever more unsuccessful, found a place, built up a business, learned to love a girl, was engaged to a heiress, and then after becoming familiar with the work required of a man, found that 'fortune hunting' was not so pleasant as 'fortune making.' There were many characters in the play, and each one contributed to the pleasure of the evening. The cast is an excellent one, well balanced—all seeming to be fitted to their parts. The scenery was in keeping with the quality of the show—excellent."

"The Lion and the Mouse"

The coming of the "Lion and the Mouse" to the Academy Thursday night of next week is an important event of the present theatrical season and its presentation by the United Play Company's fine organization may be counted on to attract interest to the theatre from all those who have for the past few months been more or less engrossed in the political situations and scandals. Mr. Klein's play has made a wonderful record in its three years of existence and in return for the very generous patronage bestowed upon it, it has given a measure of satisfaction that no dramatic offering of recent years can lay claim to. The sale of seats is in progress at the present time.

The Grand Theatre Today.

The bill in moving pictures at The Grand Theatre today will possess peculiar interest for Wilmington people, in that one of the feature films will be a Lubin, a very interesting educational picture depicting the opening of the trestle through the Everglades and sea between Knight's Key and Key West, popularly known as the "Over-Sea Railroad." The celebration recently attracted to the road prominent men from all over the world to witness the triumph of Mr. Henry M. Flagler, the great promoter of the Florida railways. The trestle is 46 miles long and the work of construction was remarkable. On the same film will be a very funny photo-farce, "A Note in the Orange." Fay and Kitty Forest play a prank on their maiden aunt by placing in an orange a note to the effect that the finder will be entertained in a matrimonial proposition by the writer. The girls sign the note with their auntie's name and the orange falls into the hands of a rich Northerner who hies himself to Florida to meet the inquirer. The complications that ensue are excruciatingly funny. Then in addition to these two big features there is a beautiful scenic film of "Niagara Falls in Winter." These pictures are taken during a snow and sleet storm on the falls and the picture is as pretty as one ever witnessed.

Scientific Wrinkle Remover Easily Made

(From Ladies' Favorite Magazine.)

A few dermatologists have long held the secret, that a certain product, known to the drug trade as saxolite, had the property when used in solution, of instantly reducing wrinkles. Any one can readily make this same solution by dissolving an ounce of powdered saxolite in a half pint of witch hazel. Bathe the face in this—and note the immediate transformation! The skin tightens, becomes firmer—deepest wrinkles at once begin to smooth out. This action will of course also reduce hanging cheeks or double chin.

When the hands show signs of aging, the skin becoming coarse, creased or flabby, bathe them in the solution. Since the recent publication of this formula, men and women all over the country have taken advantage of the information, according to reports, with most satisfactory results.

KNOX SPEAKS AT PANAMA.

Explains Attitude of United States Towards Central America.

Panama, Feb. 28.—The American Secretary of State, Philander C. Knox, tonight made his first formal appeal for a closer union of the American republics. The occasion was a State dinner given by the acting president of Panama, Rodolfo Chiari, in honor of Mr. Knox, and judging by the applause, the Secretary's remarks were received in a spirit that was markedly sympathetic and cordial.

Panama, Feb. 28.—Secretary of State P. C. Knox today made in Panama the first of his public addresses on the trip that will take him, before his return to Washington, to all the capitals of Central America and to northern South America and the West Indies.

This speech, while delivered before the President of Panama, Senor Rodolfo Chiari, was in reality addressed to all the countries the Secretary expects to visit, and included an explanation of the attitude of the United States towards South and Central America, particularly in connection with the building of the Panama canal. Secretary Knox said in part:

"The President of the United States believes that the early completion of the Panama canal should mark the beginning of closer relations to all Latin America and especially to the Caribbean republics as well as the relations of the countries to each other, and, impelled by the thought that this is an auspicious moment though better acquaintance to lay the foundations upon which there should rest a broader confidence, a closer sympathy and more practical reciprocal helpfulness, has sent me hither as a bearer of a message of good will to our sister American republics. It is the President's desire that I might personally meet your most hospitable people, might see for myself your beautiful countries, with their boundless resources and economic possibilities, to the end that such direct personal knowledge, understanding and appreciation might result in mutual advantage and in co-operation for the development of all our countries. I take this opportunity of assuring all the American republics that the purpose of the United States towards them is that we should live in amity and essential harmony and that we desire only that more peace, more prosperity, more happiness and more security should come into and become a part of their individual and National lives.

"While it is entirely clear to those who have fairly and intelligently considered the history of the relations of can republics, that our policies have been without a trace of sinister motive or design, craving neither sovereignty nor territory, yet it is true that our motives towards you have not always been fotunately interpreted either at home or faithfully represented by some of our nationality who have resided in your midst.

"Much has been said about the effect of the opening of the Panama canal, but I believe it is given to few of us to realize what magic possibilities are portential in that event. As I conceive it, it will create for our Western world an entirely new situation, a situation fraught with possibilities so vast they daze the fancy of the mind. In this new world we must be found drawn closer by sympathies and mutual esteem, and working in harmony towards beneficent ends. This must be so for our greatest interests are those that are common to us all.

"We who live on the Western Hemisphere find ourselves by force of geography in circumstances which make our situation peculiar and this fundamental fact gives us privileges and imposes upon us duties and obligations we would not otherwise have. It was a perception of this, which your own thinkers and statesmen have seen as clearly as our own, which prompted the announcement by President Monroe of the great and beneficent policy that now bears his name. When the canal is opened and the ships of all the countries of the world come sailing through these seas, the peculiarity of our position with its special requirement will be accentuated, and the wisdom of that doctrine be confirmed again. It serves admittedly your interests as much as ours. Even now it is a great bond between us. In its future amplification I perceive it will be a common heritage, binding together the nations of this hemisphere with a force no power can break and while it has in providence been given us of the North to state and interpret it, it has never been invoked to the detriment of the people of the south or operated to their hurt.

"In my judgment the Monroe Doctrine will reach the acme of its beneficence when it is regarded by the people of the United States as a reason why we should constantly respond to the needs of those of our Latin-American neighbors who may find necessity for our assistance in their progress towards better government, or who may seek our aid to meet their just obligations, and thereby to maintain honorable relations to the family of nations. Great as will be the glory of having physically divided a hemisphere, a greater glory it will be to have contributed to the unity, happiness and prosperity of its people."

In response, the Panaman Minister of Foreign Relations, Aristides Arjona, the only other speaker of the evening said: "We know that your mission is for international concord and union. Tell your government that we are linked by an insoluble tie—a thousand reasons of gratitude binding the United States and Panama and we know how to respond to an invitation of an American."

Those present at the dinner included practically all the government officials from the President down, the members of the diplomatic and consular corps and most of the prominent officials of the Canal Zone.

Secretary Knox received an ovation when he arose to speak and seemed greatly pleased.

WILL GET BATTLESHIPS.

Naval Affairs Committee Will Demand That Caucus Rescind Its Action.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The House Committee on Naval Affairs today decided in favor of authorizing two new battleships this year, and will demand that the Democratic caucus rescind its action, declaring against additions to the navy at this time. The committee will ask for a free hand to determine the matter for itself.

The committee unanimously decided that a battleships appropriation was necessary and the members have assurance of the required 25 signatures to a petition for a new caucus next week. The action of the committee is held to be assurance that there will be an appropriation sufficient for two battleships.

MOB DISPERSES AT ANDERSON

Jail Barricaded to Prevent Attempt at Lynching of Negro

Anderson, S. C., Feb. 28.—The mob which formed near here last night after the arrest of Will Reed, a negro who intruded on the wife of a white planter, dispersed early today without causing trouble. The jail had been barricaded to prevent a possible lynching.

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Such warning symptoms as sense of suffocation, hot flashes, headaches, backaches, dread of impending evil, timidity, sounds in the ears, palpitation of the heart, sparks before the eyes, irregularities, constipation, variable appetite, weakness and inquietude, and dizziness, are promptly heeded by intelligent women who are approaching the period in life when woman's great change may be expected.

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"I saw your advertisement in a paper and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I was helped from the first. At the end of two months the swelling had gone down, I was relieved of pain, and could walk with ease. I continued with the medicine and now I do almost all my housework. I know your medicine has saved me from the grave and I am willing for you to publish anything I write to you, for the good of others."—Mrs. Estella Gillispie, R.F.D. No. 4, Box 34, St. Anne, Illinois.

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON LOST A FEW POINTS

Business In the Market Was Very Quiet—Opening Was Generally Lower and Close Was Six Points Off

New York, Feb. 28.—Less favorable news from the English labor situation caused scattering liquidation by some of yesterday's buyers in the cotton market, but failed to stimulate aggressive offerings and business was very quiet, with the close steady, at the net decline of from 2 to 6 points.

The opening was steady at an advance of 3 points on February, but generally one to three points lower and active months sold 6 to 8 points under the closing figures of last night, during the early trading, in response to disappointing cables and reports that prospects were less favorable for averting a general strike of British coal miners. Scattering liquidation seemed to be about the only source of pressure, however, and the market later rallied 4 or 5 points from the lewest on covering, with trading very quiet during the afternoon and with nothing in the general news apparently to offset the restricting influence of uncertainty regarding the situation in the English coal mines. The close was within a point or two of the best figures reached after the early decline. The Western belt forecast calling for a return of unsettled conditions, with snow flurries in Arkansas and Northwest Texas, probably helped to steady the market after the early decline, but the early weather map showed more favorable conditions in the Eastern belt and houses with Southern connections appeared to be doing very little in the local market. Latest estimates place yesterday's March notices at nearer 20,000 than 40,020 bales, and it is supposed that the local stock is now practically concentrated in the hands of the big spot interests.

Receipts today, 51,330 bales, against 30,132 last week, and 10,382 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans, 11,817 bales, against none last year; at Houston, 8,790 bales, against 2,514 last year, and at Galveston, 10,203 bales, against 5,831 last year.

Spot closed quiet. Middling uplands, 10.45; do. gulf, 10.70; no sales.

Futures closed quiet an dsteady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	10.46	10.48	10.48	10.47
Feb	10.14	10.16	10.15	10.13
Mar	10.11	10.13	10.08	10.12
April	10.22	10.20	10.20	10.20
May	10.29	10.29	10.23	10.28
June	.....	10.34	10.32	10.35
July	10.38	10.40	10.33	10.38
Aug	10.41	10.41	10.35	10.39
Sept	10.36	10.38	10.36	10.37
Oct	10.40	10.42	10.36½	10.40
Nov	10.40	.....	.....	10.43
Dec	10.48	10.48	10.44	10.48

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 10¾; net receipts, 10,203; gross receipts, 10,203; sales, 1,137; stock, 402,535; France, 2,400.

New Orleans—Steady, 10 7-16; net receipts, 11,817; gross receipts, 11,831; sales, 2,270; stock, 279,425; Great Britain, 21,000; continent, 13,723; coastwise, 2,003.

Mobile—Net receipts, 972; gross receipts, 972; stock, 83,907; coastwise, 20.

Savannah—Quiet, 10¼; net receipts, 8,523; gross receipts, 8,623; sales, 2,237; stock, 237,500; coastwise, 1,400.

Charleston—Quiet, 10¼; net receipts, 1,642; gross receipts, 1,642; stock, 45,438; coastwise, 380.

Wilmington—Steady, 10¼; net receipts, 932; gross receipts, 932; stock, 33,003.

Norfolk—Steady, 10⅜; net receipts, 1,428; gross receipts, 1,428; sales, 628; stock, 50,632; coastwise, 4,354.

Baltimore—Nominal, 10⅜; stock, 10,235; Great Britain, 200; coastwise, 1,894.

New York—Quiet, 10.45; gross receipts, 4,111; stock, 180,251; coastwise, 1,619.

Boston—Quiet, 10.45; net receipts, 206; gross receipts, 5,638; stock, 18,344.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 10.70; gross receipts, 10; stock, 1,779; Great Britain, 2,200.

Brunswick—Stock, 8,470.

Gulfport—Stock, 18,545.

Texas City—Net receipts, 1,092; gross receipts, 1,092; stock, 29,148; Mexico, 400.

Pensacola—Net receipts, 8,500; gross receipts, 8,500; France, 8,500.

Port Arthur—Net receipts, 5,000; gross receipts, 5,000; Great Britain, 5,000.

Port Townsend—Net receipts, 955; gross receipts, 955; Japan, 955.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 51,330; Great Britain, 28,400; France, 10,960; continent, 13,723; Japan, 955; Mexico, 400; stock, 1,393,003.

Consolidated at all ports—Net, 170,547; Great Britain, 111,282; France, 24,283; continent, 85,951; Japan, 955; Mexico, 400.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 9,977,865; Great Britain, 3,178,886; France, 943,014; continent 3,290,687; Japan 358,389; Mexico, 5,388.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 10 13-16; net receipts, 8,790; gross receipts, 8,790; shipments, 10,944; sales, 989; stock, 116,168.

Augusta—Quiet, 10⅝; net receipts, 1,166; gross receipts, 1,745; shipments, 2,675; sales, 2,020; stock, 82,177.

Memphis—Steady, 10½; net receipts, 1,640; gross receipts, 2,476; shipments, 4,452; sales, 2,900; stock, 116,566.

St. Louis—Steady, 10½; net receipts, 720; gross receipts, 3,974; shipments, 6,146; sales, 125; stock, 26,447.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 1,860; gross receipts, 1,860; shipments, 2,278; stock, 13,849.

Little Rock—Quiet, 10¼; net receipts, 821; gross receipts, 821; shipments, 377; stock, 33,135.

Total today—Net receipts, 15,006; gross receipts, 21,666; shipments, 26,876; sales, 5,834; stock, 388,342.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Sensational figures on farm reserves, the lowest in years, excited wheat traders today, and made the market soar. The close was strong, at a net advance of ¾@1 to 2⅛. Corn finished ⅝@⅞ to 1⅛; oats, with a gain of ½@⅝ to ⅞, and hog products dearer by 2½@5 to 12½.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 99@1.02¼; No. 3, red, 97@1.00; No. 2, hard, 1.00@1.05; No. 3, hard, 98@1.03; No. 1, Northern, 1.10@1.13; No. 2 Northern, 1.08@1.11; No. 3, Northern, 1.02@1.10; No. 2, Spring, 1.00@1.08; No. 3, Spring, 99@1.07; No. 4, Spring, 90@1.05; velvet chaff, 90@1.06; durum, 90@1.07.

Corn—No. 3, 63@63½; No. 3, white, 63½@64; No. 3, yellow, 61½@64½; No. 4, 58½@61; No. 4, white, 59@61; No. 4, yellow, 59@59¾.

Oats—No. 2, 52; No. 2, white, 52½@53; No. 3, 51; No. 3, white, 51@52¾; No. 4, 47@49; No. 4, white, 47½@51½; standard, 52@52¾.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	1.00¾	1.02⅝	1.00¾	1.02⅝
July	95¼	97	95⅜	97
Sept	93⅞	95	93⅛	95
Corn:				
May	68¼	69¼	68	69
July	68	69	67⅛	69
Sept	67⅛	69	67⅛	69
Oats:				
May	52⅛	52¾	52	52¾
July	47⅜	48½	47⅜	48½
Sept	41	41⅝	40¾	41⅝
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
May	15.37	15.47½	15.30	15.35
July	15.70	15.77½	15.65	15.67
Sept	.....	15.97	15.87½	15.87
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
May	9.15	9.22½	9.12½	9.17½
July	9.35	9.40	9.30	9.35
Sept	9.50	9.55	9.47½	9.50
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
May	8.60	8.67½	8.60	8.60
July	8.65	8.70	8.65	8.65
Sept	.....	8.85	8.80	8.80

Blamed a Good Worker.

"I blamed my heart for severe distress in my left side for two years," writes W. Evans, Danville, Va., "but I know now it was indigestion, as Dr. King's New Life Pills completely cured me." Best for stomach, liver and kidney troubles, constipation, headache or debility, 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

MARINE.

Cleared.

Str. Chatham (Br.), 2,316 tons, Duff, Liverpool, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Foreign.

Liverpool—Br. str. Chatham, 14,008 bales cotton, valued at $781,000; cargo and vessel by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Emmie Arp (Ger.), 1,734 tons, Reinets, Heide & Co.

Str. Bellerby (Br.), 1,799 tons, Johnson, Alexander Sprunt & Sons.

Str. Regina (Ger.), 1,662 tons, Lieberg, Heide & Co.

Str. Maltby (Br.), 2,540 tons, Olsen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Schr. Calhoun E. Ross, 375 tons, Coulburn, C. D. Maffitt.

Schr. Elizabeth Gilbert, 482 tons, Chipman, C. D. Maffitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 409 tons, Graham, C. D. Maffitt; in distress.

Barks.

Bk. Bruce Hawkins, 540 tons, Olsen, C. D. Maffitt, in distress (Southport for harbor).

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 28.

Atlantic Coast Line—887 bales cotton; 150 barrels rosin; 23 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—45 bales cotton.

Schr. George Slover—31 barrels rosin; 5 barrels tar.

Total—932 bales cotton; 181 barrels rosin; 28 barrels tar; 14 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—509 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 25 barrels rosin; 204 barrels tar.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Feb. 28.—Flour was steady to firm, with wheat at a moderate trade.

Rye Flour—Steady.

Rye—Steady.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull.

Corn Meal—Firm.

Barley—Quiet.

Wheat—Spot, strong; No. 2, red, 1.02½, elevator, export basis, and 1.01¾ f.o.b. afloat. Futures, ¼ to 1¾ net higher; May, 1.06; July, 1.02.

Corn—Spot, firm; No. 2, 77, elevator, domestic basis, to arrive, and export, 73 f.o.b. afloat. Futures, nominal.

Oats—Spot, firm; standard white, 60, in elevator; No. 2, 60½.

Pork—Steady.

Beef—Steady.

Petroleum—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Cut Meats—Easy.

Tallow—Dull.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, steady; refined, quiet.

Coffee—Futures closed steady at a net decline of 4@7 points. Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 14⅜; Santos, No. 4, 15½; mild, dull; Cordova, 16@18.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Unsettled.

Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbages—Firm. Red, ton, 25.00@30.00; Danish seed, 45.00@50.00; Florida, new, crate, 3.25@3.50.

Freights—Unchanged.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Quiet, but steady, on scattered commercial house buying and room covering, on the strength in lard. Closing prices showed practically no change from last night. March, 5.49@5.50; April, 5.55@5.57; May, 5.61@5.62; June, 5.47@5.49; July, 5.73@5.75; prime crude, 4.54 sales; do. Summer yellow, 5.48; prime Winter yellow, 5.75@6.00; prime Summer white, 5.80@5.90.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 28th.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady, 45½

ROSIN—Steady, $5.90.

TAR—Firm, $1.90.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $3.50@$4.50.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.00; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	181
Tar	28
Crude Turpentine	14

Receipts, same day last year, 3 barrels spirits turpentine; 25 barrels rosin; 204 barrels tar.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 10¼.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 932 bales; same day last year, 509 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 28.)

CORN—Firm; 85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, $1.25 per bu.; nice yams, 75c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—Very dull, at 7@8c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17@18c. per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 16@18c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 15c. on foot; dull. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45c. per head; chickens, Spring, 20@35c. per head. Geese, 65c. per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Good demand, 19@20c. per doz.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 28.

Market, weaker on North Carolinas and steady on Spanish and Virginias.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, 80c.; machine-picked, 75c.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.05; machine-picked, $1.00.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 28.—Spot, in fair demand, prices 2 points higher. American middling fair, 6.56; good middling, 6.18; middling, 5.92; low middling, 5.62; good ordinary, 5.24; ordinary, 4.98.

The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6,800 American. Receipts, 17,000 bales, including 2,100 American.

Futures opened steady and closed quiet. February, 5.68½; February and March, 5.68; March and April, 5.68; April and May, 5.69; May and June, 5.69½; June and July, 5.69½; July and August, 5.69; August and September, 5.66; September and October, 5.64; October and November, 5.62½; November and December, 5.61½; December and January, 5.61; January and February, 5.61; February and March, 5.62.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 28.—The primary cotton goods market was steady during the day. Jobbers and retailers report a fairly good business for this season of the year. The demand for men's wear was not as active as last year's, but a good amount of business was reported in some quarters of the market. Prices are showing an upward tendency. Domestic wool values hold firm. At the Antwerp wool auction, some grades showed slight declines. Coarse wools advanced five per cent. at Buenos Ayres. Worsted yarns were quiet.

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TRADING ON A LARGER SCALE

There Was Very Few Changes In the Condition of the Stock Market Yesterday—Leaders Made Some Gains

New York, Feb. 28.—Apart from an extensive covering movement by the short interest, which effected a very sharp recovery in such stocks as Union Pacific, Reading and United States Steel, the stock market today differed only slightly in its salient features from the early days of the week. Trading was on a larger scale, but no less professional than before. The strength of United States Steel was, perhaps, the more noteworthy because of the severe arraignment of that corporation at the hands of the expert employed by the Stanley Investigating Committee. In point of fact, however, and judging from the course of the market as a whole, the effect of the report seemed to have been discounted.

The most potent factor of the day was the news received in private cables from abroad, which indicated an early agreement respecting the threatened coal strike in Great Britain. These advices were not borne out, however, by official statements, which reported a continuance of the deadlock.

The market attained its greatest activity in the last hour, and, although prices shaded somewhat from the top, there were many material net gains. In fact, all the more important issues closed at considerable advances, declines being almost entirely confined to stocks of secondary character. Just before the end, American Tobacco broke six points.

The bond market was steady on a very moderate trading. Total sales, par value, were $2,080,000. United States government bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales for the day were 429,200 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	5
Amalgamated Copper	67¼
American Agricultural	58¾
American Beet Sugar	33⅝
American Can	11⅝
American Car and Foundry	51
American Cotton Oil	49
American Hide and Leather, pfd	20¼
American Ice Securities	27½
American Linseed	9½
American Locomotive	32
American Smelting and Refining	72½
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	102¾
American Steel Foundries	28
American Sugar Ref	119⅜
American Tel and Tel	143½
American Tobacco, pfd	103½
American Woolen	26½
Anaconda Mining Co	36
Atchison	101¼
Atchison, pfd	103½
Atlantic Coast Line	136
Baltimore and Ohio	102⅝
Bethlehem Steel	28¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	78⅛
Canadian Pacific	229¾
Central Leather	17⅝
Central Leather, pfd	81½
Central of New Jersey	370
Chesapeake and Ohio	71¾
Chicago and Alton	17
Chicago Great Western	17½
Chicago Great Western, pfd	35
Chicago and North Western	142
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	105⅝
C., C., C. and St. Louis	54
Colorado Fuel and Iron	23½
Colorado and Southern	43
Consolidated Gas	139½
Corn Products	10
Delaare and Hudson	170
Denver and Rio Grande	21
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	41½
Distillers' Securities	29
Erie	31⅛
Erie, 1st pfd	51
Erie, 2nd pfd	41⅛
General Electric	159⅝
Great Northern, pfd	130¾
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	37¾
Illinois Central	135½
Interborough-Met	18
Interborough-Met., pfd	58⅛
Inter Harvester	105⅝
Inter-Marine, pfd	19⅜
International Paper	10¾
International Pump	27½
Iowa Central	10⅝
Kansas City Southern	25½
Kansas City Southern, pfd	61⅝
Laclede Gas	106¾
Louisville and Nashville	153½
Minneapolis and St. Louis	21½
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	133¾
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	26¾
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	61¾
Missouri Pacific	39⅝
National Biscuit	145
National Lead	54
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	30¾
New York Central	110¾
New York, Ontario and Western	37
Norfolk and Western	110¼
North American	78⅝
Northern Pacific	117⅞
Pacific Mail	32
Pennsylvania	122⅝
People's Gas	105¼
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	100⅜
Pittsburg Coal	16⅜
Pressed Steel Car	28⅝
Pullman Palace Car	158
Railway Steel Spring	27½
Reading	153⅝
Republic Steel	27
Republic Steel, pfd	97
Rock Island Co	23⅛
Rock Island Co., pfd	49
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	39¼
St. Louis Southwestern	31½
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	70
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	45
Southern Pacific	108½
Southern Railway	27⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	72½
Tennessee Copper	36⅜
Texas and Pacific	21½
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	12½
Toledo, St. L. and Western, pfd	32¼
Union Pacific	166¼
Union Pacific, pfd	93
United States Realty	97
United States Rubber	46⅜
Unied States Steel	61¼
United States Steel, pfd	108½
Utah Copper	57⅜
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	53⅜
Wabash	7
Wabash, pfd	18½
Western Maryland	57
Westinghouse Electric	73
Western Union	84⅞
Wheeling and Lake Erie	7¼

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Feb. 28.—Turpentine, firm, at 46½.

Rosin—Firm. Quote: B, 6.62½; D, 6.65; E, 6.70; F, 6.72½; G and H, 6.75; I, 6.80; K, 7.05; M, 7.25; N, 7.30; W G, 7.40; W W, 7.45.

Savannah, Feb. 28.—Turpentine, firm, at 46½. Sales, 309; receipts, 47; shipments, 229; stock, 26,627.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 1,036. Receipts, 419; shipments, 2,497; stocks, 93,035. Quote: B, 6.62½; D, 6.65; E, 6.70; F, 6.72½; G and H, 6.75; I, 6.80; K, 7.05; M, 7.25; N, 7.30; W G, 7.40; W W, 7.45.

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in the earth are sometimes heard before a terrible earthquake, that warn of the coming peril. Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the Kidneys need attention if you would escape those dangerous maladies, dropsy, diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see backache fly and all your best feelings return. "My son received great benefit from their use for kidney and bladder trouble," writes Peter Bondy, South Rockwood, Mich. "It is certainly a great kidney medicine." Try it. 50 cents at R. R. Bellamy.

Over-Sea Celebration.

Flagler's great triumph in railroad building at The Grand Theatre today. **

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

February 29, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 38 degrees; at 8 P. M. 46 degrees; maximum 55 degrees; minimum 36 degrees; mean 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; for the month, 3.38 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., yesterday, 24.4 feet.

Weather Forecast.

Fair Thursday and Friday; colder Thursday; moderate northwest winds.

Port Calendar—Feb. 29.

Sun rises	6:41 A. M.
Sun sets	6:08 P. M.
Day's length	11 hrs. 27 min.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	7:10	7:26	1:10	2:20
Southport	4:57	5:28	11:32	11:37

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 28, 1912.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest Today	Temperature Lowest Last Night.	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	cloudy	60	40	.0
Asheville	pt cldy	46	28	.0
Atlanta	cloudy	52	30	.0
Augusta	pt cldy	56	32	.0
Birmingham	cloudy	54	30	.0
Boston	clear	38	24	.0
Charleston	pt cldy	52	38	.0
Charlotte	cloudy	52	28	.0
Chicago	clear	24	20	.0
Galveston	cloudy	58	48	.0
Jacksonville	clear	64	42	.0
Memphis	cloudy	56	38	.0
Mobile	cloudy	60	38	.0
Montgomery	cloudy	56	36	.0
New Orleans	clear	62	42	.0
New York	clear	38	22	.0
Palestine	cloudy	64	42	.0
Oklahoma	cloudy	44	32	.0
Pittsburg	cloudy	32	20	.01
Raleigh	pt cldy	54	30	.0
Savannah	cloudy	62	36	.0
Shreveport	cloudy	62	30	.0
St. Louis	cloudy	32	28	.0
Washington	clear	48	28	.0

THE MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 28.—Money on call, steady, at 2@2½ per cent.; ruling rate, 2%; closing bid and offered, at 2 per cent. Time loans, firm; sixty days, 2¾, and ninety days, 3@3¼; six months, 3¼@3½. Prime mercantile paper, 3¾@4¼. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8440 for 60 day bills and at 4.8725 for demand. Commercial bills 4.83¾. Bar silver 58⅞. Mexican dollars 47.

THE DUPONT INQUIRY

Senator Reed Says It's Senate's Duty To Investigate

Washington, Feb. 28.—An array of evidence heard by the Senate Judiciary Committee into the appointment of C. P. Swain as United States Marshal for Delaware, was laid before the Senate today by Senator Reed, of Missouri, in urging the passage of his resolution providing for an investigation of the election of Senator DuPont, of Delaware. Senator Reed insisted if this evidence were given credence, the Senate not only should investigate the 1910 election, but should demand of the Delaware Senator an explanation of his action in "recommending for appointment to the high office of United States Marshal a man whom he knew to be engaged in corrupt practices."

"I deem this to be my solemn duty," said the Senator, "and shall be glad if a thorough investigation results in completely exculpating the Senator from Delaware.

"The disclosures made by the witnesses are of such character as to demand further investigation."

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I am a candidate for delegate to the National Democratic Convention from the Sixth Congressional District, and will appreciate the support of the Democratic voters of the district.

If elected, I shall support for President the candidate favored and endorsed by the Democracy of the Sixth Congressional District in convention assembled, or in a primary, if a Presidential primary shall be ordered.

In all other matters coming before the National Convention, I shall be guided by the wishes of the Democracy of the district, as expressed in the platform of the District Convention, or as otherwise expressed by lawful party authority.

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Beginning at a point in the Southern line of Church street, 82 and one-half feet West of the Western line of Third street; running thence Westwardly with the Southern line of Church street 45 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Third street 66 feet; thence Eastwardly, parallel with Church street forty-five feet; thence Northwardly parallel with Third street sixty-six (66) feet to the beginning, same being part of Lot No. 1, in Block 85, in the City of Wilmington, N. C.

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M. W. DIVINE,
J. O. REILLY,
G. W. CHESNUTT,
ROBERT R. BELLAMY,
C. W. YATES,
R. H. NORTHROP,
M. J. CORBETT,
R. C. deROSSET,
F. W. DICK,
HENRY GIESCHEN,
H. C. McQUEEN,
GEO. R. FRENCH.
J. O. CARR,

fe29 to mh27

To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County.

Having been urged by my many friends to run for the office of Constable of Wilmington township, I hereby announce myself a canadidate for said office, promising if nominated and elected to do my full duty to the best of my ability. JNO. H. DAVIS.

fe28 to mh27

To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject to the will of the people, to be expressed in the Democratic Primary, on March 27th, 1912. I will appreciate any support that may be given me. I have not been brought into the campaign by any clique or ring, but by a desire for the office, believing that the public offices of the county do not belong to any one set of officers for an indefinite length of time.

I promise, if elected, to give you the best of service.

JOHN A. ORRELL.

fe 27 to Mch 27.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

At the approaching Democratic primary, I will be a candidate for the nomination of Senator from the Eleventh Senatorial District of North Carolina, and hereby agree to abide by the results of said primary.

I ask for and will greatly appreciate the support of my fellow Democratic voters. Respectfully,

MARSDEN BELLAMY.

fe25 to mar27

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Democratic Voters, of New Hanover County:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for constable of Wilmington township, subject to the Democratic primary to be held March 27th 1912, promising if elected to perform my duties to the best of my ability.

WM. SHEEHAN, SR.

fe25,su,w,f-14t

To the Democratic Voters of New Hanover County.

I beg to announce that I shall be a candidate for the office of County Treasurer at the Primary to be held on the 27th of March next. I shall be very grateful for your support, and thanking my friends for their past favors, it will be my very earnest endeavor to fulfill the duties of the office to my very best ability.

to mch 27. H. McL. GREEN.

FOR SENATOR.

To the Voters of New Hanover County:

I hereby announce my candidacy, subject to the will of the people, to be expressed in the Democratic Primary, on March 27th, 1912, for the nomination of Senator from the Eleventh Senatorial District of North Carolina.

If nominated and elected I will serve the interests of the people of this district with the same diligence, application and thought as I have used, and do now employ, in the conduct and promotion of my own business. Respectfully yours,

to mch 27. W. B. COOPER.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS.

Subject to your will, to be expressed at the polls in the primary March 27th, 1912, I announce myself a candidate for re-nomination to the Office of Register of Deeds. I am grateful for past favors and will deeply appreciate your further support, promising, if elected, to make faithful returns in duty well performed.

Yours,

fe 18-tf. JOHN HAAR.

To Democratic Voters.

I announce myself for re-nomination to the office of Sheriff at the primary to be held March 27th, 1912. I will greatly appreciate the support of my fellow Democrats and if again honored will render the same faithful service in future as I have in the past, and which my record will show.

Respectfully,

fe 18-tf. S. P. COWAN.

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NEW TAILOR-MADE SUITS—Our stock for Spring is not yet complete, but we have enough of these beautiful "creations" in Creams, Novelties and a Variety of Light Shades to pay for an inspection visit to our store, whether you buy or not. This season's styles are "Dreams," and you will want to get in them soon as you see them; **$13.50 to $25.00.** We are showing many "beauties" in New Spring Ginghams that are worth 12½c, for **10c.** Handsome striped Cream Colored Cotton Serge, of splendid quality and finish, for **15c.** Large line of Manchester Chambrays, heretofore sold for 10c, now **8c.** Large stock and great variety of new "Lace Jabots" and Collars; make your selection before they are picked over. 3-Stem Human Hair Switches, 33 in. long; regular $6.00 Switch for **$4.00.** 200 Rolls of Matting, imported direct from China by us. This Matting will be offered this week for about half the price you have been paying for the same quality heretofore. Men's and Boys' New Spring Suits and Hats are showing up in the best of styles, and they are already selling for the prices are most reasonable and the goods are of the best.

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REPORT ON THE STEEL TRUST

(Continued from Page One.)

centages of business done by the corporation, and in which the ore and other holdings are discussed.

"Percentages of the business done by the United States Steel Corporation," the report says, "are deceiving and misleading unless segregated with reference to particular products. For example, Mr. Roosevelt refers to an estimate that the United States Steel Corporation did not have above 60 per cent. of steel properties of steel holdings, and when he was asked if Gary and Frick at the time of the purchase of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Co., said anything about the ore properties that they were buying at that time, he answered 'They did not go into details at all,' and he also stated that he understood they were going to buy the Tennessee Company's plant."

If this estimate of 60 per cent. refers to property and investment in the steel business, it may be noted, in that year (1907), that the total property of the Bethlehem, Cambia, Colorado, Lackawanna, Pennsylvania and Tennessee companies added to the capital stock of Jones & Laughlin (because statement of property is not available) amounted to $365,768,889, these companies being the only important concerns in the steel business in the United States, outside of the United States Steel Corporation. This amount added to that of the United States Steel Corporation equals a grand total of $1,811,606,339; of which the property account of the United States Steel Corporation amounts to $1,445,837,450, or about 80 per cent."

Conclusions in the report bearing on restraint of trade are embodied in 14 sections, some containing voluminous quotations from the minutes of meetings of the corporation and of the subsidiary companies. Summarized, the report concludes:

"Competition between previously competing concerns was terminated by the concentration of the control of upwards of 180 corporations into one security holding company, known as the United States Steel Corporation.

The United States Steel Corporation is merely a holding company engaging in no business except the control through stock ownership of the subsidiary companies.

There were acquired and brought under single control upwards of 180 concerns in lines of business allied with the steel making business, including ore owning and mining companies "which are now restrained from competing in the sale of ore"; transportation companies through consolidation of which "every possibility of competition between these roads is prevented," pig iron plants, coal and coke companies, and many others.

There were acquired a large number of "major concerns at much inflated valuations, succeeding several increases in the capitalization of preceding incorporations, due, in some cases, to the greater combination value or merger of the consolidation, in which, of course, the units combined were restrained of any competitive activity. Specific instances are given under this head relating to three processes of combination as follows:

"The original combination of major concerns to eliminate all possibility of competition. Combinations admittedly or inferably having a direct effect to remove competition or in the accomplishment of which the removal of competition was the declared or inferred object of the consolidation.

"Other acquisitions in related lines of business for which no explanation has been offered and none appears except the visible consequences, the removal of such concerns from the independent field.

"The acquirement of a large number of plants which never were operated and some of them, dismantled, being removed from the competitive field."

The acquirement of other plants, such as the Clairton Steel Company, the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company, and others, of which the report says: "Isolatedly considered, the purpose in acquiring independent concerns may be entirely colorless, but when considered in connection with the acquisition of other independent plants admittedly or inferably to terminate competition, the continued policy and practice of acquiring control of companies engaged in its own line of business, may be corroborative of the conclusion that the intention was to prevent competition of the concerns acquired, if not, per se indicative of such intention."

In this connection after a lengthy analysis of the taking over of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company in 1907, the report says:

"It may not be possible to state the true intention in acquiring the Tennessee Company, in a way which would be admitted by the men in control of the Steel Corporation, inasmuch as it appears to many experienced men who are also disinterested, that the intention which impelled its acquisition was merely the desire to bring under the control of the Steel Corporation the great possibilities for competition possessed by the Tennessee Company. The consequence of the acquisition should and must be held to have been intended in legal contemplation, even if the result so deduced conflict with the intention declared to be in the minds of those responsible."

The acquirement of 45 plants, listed in the report, including many small bridge, wire, nail, sheet steel and other concerns, "consolidated for the restriction of competition" and "when considered collectively with many similar instances of absorbing and combining separate small plants, lead to the conclusion that the object in view was the restriction of competition."

The interlocking of directors of the Steel Corporation and the purchase of stocks and bonds of other companies and various outside transactions of enormous size, the report discusses at length in support of the claim of power of the corporation in restraining competition.

The policy of the corporation resulting in enhancing the prices of raw and finished material, in which the report says: "The Steel Corporation officers openly declared the policy of buying all the available supply in order to keep up the price." Many quotations from the minutes of meetings are given in support of this.

The control of ore by the Steel Corporation, 76 per cent. of competitive ore in Minnesota, five hundred million tons in the South, "in all 2,500,000,000 tons out of 4,462,940,000 tons of commercially available ore in the United States—is an ownership and a control which must interfere with competition."

The resolution that subsidiary companies of the Steel Corporation shall refuse to handle orders for export business and that such orders must be turned over to the United States Steel Products (export) Company, through which the subsidiary companies preclude themselves from competition for export sales.

"The result", the report says, "of enforcing these resolutions and arangements—is that materials for export must be bought from the United States Steel Products Company, and buyers in the United States, who wish to buy goods for export are compelled to pay an additional profit to the United States Steel Products Company."

Made Money on Their Stores

Washington, Feb. 28.—That the United States Steel Corporation has earned $4,339,140 in eight years through its subsidiary, the Union Supply Company, which sells goods to employes, is the conclusion of an exhibit submitted to the House Steel Trust Investigating Committee today in connection with the report on the Steel Corporation's books and minutes made by the committee's expert, Farquar J. McRae.

The expert includes in his report the following quotations from the testimony of Elbert E. Gary, chairman of the board of the Steel Corporation, before the committee last Summer:

"Where the Steel Corporation has stores, and we have not very many, we made it certain that the goods were sold to the men at prices less than they could purchase the same things elsewhere."

Then the report sets forth facts and figures tending to show that tarough the Union Supply Company the Steel Corporation had made 100 per cent on its investment.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS

Sixteen Appeals Disposed of Yesterday by Highest State Tribunal

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—There were 16 opinions delivered last evening by the Supreme Court of Appeals from the First, Second and Third Districts. The list follows: Jannette vs. Mayes Grain Co., Baufort, no error; Roper Lumber Co., vs. Richmond Cedar Works, Camden, reversed; Berry vs. Davis, Pasquotank, judgment modified; Terrill vs. City of Washington, Beaufort, no error; Thomas vs. Bunch, Bertie, affirmed; Monton vs. Hughes, Hertford, affirmed; Baxter vs. Irvin, Craven, no error; Fertilizer Works vs. McLawhorn, Pitt, no error; Spencer vs. Fisher, Craven, action dismissed; Evans vs. Forbes, Pitt, affirmed; Tripp vs. Commissioners of Pitt, modified and affirmed; School Commissioners vs. City of Charlotte, affirmed; Newton vs. School Commissioners of Charlotte, affirmed; Thompson vs. Power Company, Polk, action dismissed; Buggy Corporation vs. Atlantic Coast Line, Craven, affirmed; Hill vs. Lumber Company, Beaufort, affirmed.

FOLKE E. BRANDT RELEASED

Says He Thought He Signed Contract and Not a Confession

New York, Feb. 28. — Folke E. Brandt, former valet of Mortimer L. Schiff, sentenced to 30 years imprisonment for burglary in the first degree, was formally released from the Tombs today.

A surety company furnished the $7,500 bond required, $5,000 on the indictment charging burglary, and $2,500 on the indictment charging assault upon Mr. Schiff.

From his counsel's office, a Brandt interview was given out in which the young Swede repudiated the "so-called confession" of burglary at the Schiff home in 1907 which he signed in Mr. Schiff's office. He said he did not read the "confession" and believed the paper was a contract with Mr. Schiff for money which would set himself up in business in Sweden.

The grand jury continued investigation of the Brandt case today to determine if there is basis for indictments charging conspiracy. Several prison officials were witnesses. Brandt himself will appear before the grand jury next week.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

University of Pittsburg Celebrates Its 125th Anniversary.

Pittsburg, Feb. 28—Incidental to the celebration of the 125th anniversary of the University of Pittsburg, honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws was given today to Count Von Bernstorff, German ambassador, and Dr. Romulo S. Naon, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary for Argentina to the United States.

Others to receive this degree are James Hampton Kirkland, Chancellor of Vanderbilt University, and Henry Donald Campbell, dean of Washington and Lee.

Doctor of Science was given Chas. Mercer Snelling, dean of the University of Georgia.

Doctor of Divinity was given to Henry Tucker Graham, president Hampden-Sydney College.

Oh, How I Itched!

What long nerve-racking days of constant torture—what sleepless nights of terrible agony, itch, itch, itch, constant itch, until it seemed that I must tear off my very skin—then—

Instant relief—my skin cooled, soothed and healed!

The very first drops of D. D. D. Prescription for Eczema stopped that awful itch instantly; yes, the very moment D. D. D. touched the burning skin the torture ceased. A 25c bottle proves it.

D. D. D. has been known for years as the only absolutely reliable eczema remedy, for it washes away the disease germs and leaves the skin as clear and healthy as that of a child.

All other druggists have D. D. D. Prescription—go to them if you can't come to us—but don't accept some big profit substitute.

But if you come to our store, we are so certain of what D. D. D. will do for you that we offer you a full size bottle on this guarantee—If you do not find that it takes away the itch AT ONCE, it costs you not a cent.

Robt. R. Bellamy, Wilmington, N. C.

TEST COST SYSTEM.

Witness Tells How the Packers' Combination Used It.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—That the uniform test cost and margin system of bookkeeping used by the packers played an important part in the alleged combination in restraint of trade, and that the allowance made for by-products in figuring the cost is inadequate, was the testimony given by Fred Sulzeberger at the trial of the 10 defendants today.

The witness, who is 70 years old and has been in the packing business since 1883, was on the witness stand all day.

He told of attending the old beef pool meetings held every Tuesday afternoon in the office of Attorney A. H. Veeder between 1898 and 1902, where information concerning shipments and margins were exchanged by the packers.

He said during that period his company used a black and red test cost in selling its beef.

The black test, he said, was the actual cost on which the allowances for by-products were changed to meet the market changes, while the red test was fixed and was never changed except by agreement among the packers.

The witness said that all the defendants used the same system of figuring while he was a member of the pool, and that the only object of the red test was uniformity to enable members to make comparisons.

When he withdrew from the pool in 1902 his company discarded the red test and used the black test cost.

Sulzerberger related in detail several attempts made by Armour, Swift, Morris and Tilden, or their representatives, to acquire control of the Schwartzchild & Sulzeberger Company, the largest independent competitor of the Chicago packers, which resulted in Louis F. Swift's finally obtaining 16,088 shares of stock, which was exchanged for 32,176 shares of preferred stock in the Sulzeberger & Sons Company when that corporation was organized in 1910.

PRIMARY SYSTEM ATTACKED.

Heyburn Said It Helped "Graft"—Overman Condemned It.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The primary election system adopted by many States, was attacked in the Senate today during consideration of the election of Stephenson, of Wisconsin. Senator Heyburn declared the primary opened the way for "graft", while it was condemned as unsatisfactory by Senators McCumber and Overman. Senators Borah and Bristow defended the law.

Mr. Heyburn, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, which exonerated Senator Stephenson of charges of corruption in his election, admitted that he did not approve of the "most liberal expenditures made in Mr. Stephenson's behalf in the election," but insisted the election was valid. He characterized the primary as a "straw vote" which gave opportunity for "grafting."

Contending that the right of election was reposed entirely in the Legislature, Mr. Heyburn said Mr. Stephenson had been actually elected twice on January 26th in 1909, when the two houses of the Legislature voted for him and again by the joint vote on March 4th. He insisted the United States Senate had no right to go behind the legislative vote to inquire into the primary.

When Senator Heyburn declared that only 170,000 of the 600,000 voters in Wisconsin had cast their ballots in the primary, Senator Overman, of North Carolina, expressed dissatisfaction with the law.

Senator McCumber interrupted to say that it was a fair example of the operation of the system.

SOUTHERN TRAIN DITCHED

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 28.—According to information received here Southern Train No. 37, solid Pullman, New York to New Orleans, has been ditched near Milstead, Ala., 39 miles north of here.

The Quickest, Simplest Cough Cure

Easily and Cheaply Made at Home. Saves You $2.

This recipe makes a pint of cough syrup—enough to last a family a long time. You couldn't buy as much or as good cough syrup for $2.50.

Simple as it is, it gives almost instant relief and usually stops the most obstinate cough in 24 hours. This is partly due to the fact that it is slightly laxative, stimulates the appetite and has an excellent tonic effect. It is pleasant to take—children like it. An excellent remedy, too, for whooping cough, croup, sore lungs, asthma, throat troubles, etc.

Mix one pint of granulated sugar with ½ pint of warm water, and stir for 2 minutes. Put 2½ ounces of Pinex (fifty cents' worth) in a pint bottle, and add the Sugar Syrup. It keeps perfectly. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours.

Pine is one of the oldest and best known remedial agents for the throat membranes. Pinex is the most valuable concentrated compound of Norway white pine extract, and is rich in guaiacol and all the other natural healing elements. Other preparations will not work in this formula.

The prompt results from this recipe have endeared it to thousands of housewives in the United States and Canada, which explains why the plan has been imitated often, but never successfully.

A guaranty of absolute satisfaction, or money promptly refunded, goes with this recipe. Your druggist has Pinex, or will get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

C. W. Yates & Co.—The Fire.
St. John's Lodge—Emergent Communication.
American National Bank—On These Lines.
Tidewater Power Co.—Electricity for Power.
Dr. Culbreth's Dental Parlors—Painless Dentistry.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—97th Interest Quarter.

Business Locals.

For Rent—Room.
Wanted—Young Men.
For Sale—Peninsula Range.

ROOSEVELT IN NEW YORK.

Declares He Hasn't Heard Anything About the Nine Governors.

New York, Feb. 28.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt returned to New York tonight after an absence since Saturday in Boston, during which he came out in a statement issued here as a receptive candidate for the Republican nomination for President.

"A very interesting trip," he told the reporters, who met his train at 8:30 P. M. When his attention was called to the announcements of nine Governors declaring themselves as Taft supporters, and he was asked what he thought of the situation in the West, he said: "I haven't heard anything, and I am not a prophet."

He added, however, that in the State of Washington, where Governor Hay had declared for President Taft's renomination, the Mayors of Seattle and Tacoma and Senator Poindexter had announced themselves in his favor.

Mr. Roosevelt, who was unaccompanied, went directly from his train to the home of his cousin, J. West Roosevelt, to spend the night.

New York, Feb. 28.—"Knockout" Brown was generally conceded by ringside judges to have the better of every round in a bout with Young Fitzsimmons, a local lightweight, at the Longacre Athletic Club tonight. The latter was 10 pounds lighter than Brown and appeared afraid of his opponent, covering himself up most of the bout. Brown had him in a precarious situation in the tenth round.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Advertisements inserted under this head one cent per word for each insertion, but no advertisement taken for less than 25c. Additional words, more than 25, one cent per word. Unless the advertiser has a regular account, all advertisements under this head are STRICTLY CASH IN ADVANCE, the amounts being too small to warrant a charge. The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to any address in the city for advertisements in this department upon request by 'Phone to No. 51. A. D. T. Messenger will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Company, or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, but a small charge for strictly A. D. T. calls or telephone subscribers may at any time telephone their telegrams, bills rendered to suit the sender daily, weekly or monthly. For this service, call Western Union, 'Phone No. 2. But for advertisements, always call the Star office, No. 51. Copy for Business Locals cannot be taken over the telephone—but upon request Messenger will be dispatched to any part of the city for them.

FOR RENT—Very desirable room to couple or gentlemen; good location, all modern conveniences. Address Box 332. fe 29-1t*

FOR SALE— Peninsula range in good condition; only used a short while. To quick buyer for $30. Apply 414 South Fifth street. fe 29-1t*

WANTED—Ambitious young men to become Traveling Salesmen and earn while they learn. Write for particulars. Bradstreet System, Rochester, N. Y. fe 29-1t*

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping; near A. C. L. offices. "R. A. M.," care Star. fe28-2t

WANTED—Unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping, by couple with child. "W.," care Star. fe28-2t

UNEQUALLED opportunities to learn the automobile business and get positions afterward, are offered by the Southern Automobile College, Oak Ridge, N. C. Write for particulars today. fe10-tu,th,sa-13t

WAKE UP! Spread out! Advertise! Multigraph imitation typewritten circulars; cheap as printing; better results. All classes typewriting and notary work. Harriss Typewriting and Advertising Co., 114 Princess street; 'phone 708. del-tu,su,th-tf

WANTED—Assistant clerk for up-town grocery and dry goods store. Must understand both lines thoroughly and willing worker. Give references, age and salary expected. "Merchants," care Star. fe16,18,20,22,24,25,27,29-8t

WE NEED YOUR BUSINESS. Give it to us. We have always on hand full variety of choice fresh meats, fruits and vegetables. See our line today. We get the goods out on time. Palace Market. 'Phone No. 72. fe28-tf

HOUSEWIVES—French dry-cleaning system is indispensable and guaranteed to clean clothes, carpets, laces, feathers and all the like to a charm. $2.00 value for 50c. Musselman Tailoring Co., Weatherly, Peuna. fe23-6t*

WANTED — Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping, by man, wife and boy; in good neighborhood; references exchanged. Give full particulars in first letter. "X. Y.," care Star. fe25-3t*

WANTED — Experienced young man wants position as book-keeper; three years experience. Prefer small town in Eastern N. C. Address "S," care Box 306, Lumberton, N. C. fe25-4t*

WATER FRONT—The first thing you know you will wonder why you did not protect your business before too late. Better call up F. A. Lord, Insurance and Real Estate. fe27-3t

DRESSED CHICKENS, turkeys and geese. We have full supply today of everything good to eat in our line. Nice celery, tomatoes, new Irish potatoes and snap beans. See us before buying your fresh meats. We have full supply of the best. Palace Market, 'Phone 72. fe24-tf

ROOMS WANTED—March 1st, completely furnished for light housekeeping, by man and wife. Good neighborhood and reasonable rent. References exchanged. Give full particulars in first letter. "C. M. O.," care Star. fe20-tf

FROST-PROOF cabbage plants, sure headers, bunched and selected. One Dollar and Thirty Cents per thousand, delivered. Grown from the best seed; will make large, early heads. Sea Island Plant & Seed Co., Meggetts, S. C. fe22-12t

WANT TO BUY for highest cash price, rifts of timber. See us before selling. Northrop Lumber and Export Co., Surry, between Queen and Castle. 'Phone 482. fe21-tf

WANTED by Captain H. W. Stickle, 416 Grace, one cook and one house maid and waitress. Apply at house. fe20-tf

SECOND HAND square piano for sale. In good order. Cheap to cash purchaser. Address "Piano," care Star Office. se15-tf

$25 REWARD for return of Diamond ring or package containing same. Lost Saturday night on Princess or Third streets. A. O. Schuster, Jeweler, 104 North Front street. fe15-tf

PREASE BROS. CO. wish to announce that in connection with their tinning business at 215 Market street, they have fitted an up-to-date plumbing establishment, and have employed the well known Thos. Schraeder as manager of this department. They will give every call immediate attention and guarantee the best work. 'Phone order will bring our man. ja11-tf

THE RURAL Building and Loan Association will open the nineteenth series on Saturday, February 3rd, 1912 You can subscribe for the number of shares you wish now. R. C. DeRossett, President; James Owen Reilly, Sec. and Treas. Office, 118 Princess street. ja21-tf

BARGAINS in a fine line of trunks, suit cases and hand bags. Also all kinds of unredeemed pledges. Save money and see Uncle Charles, 16 S. Front street. ja3-tf

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is what the words really mean in this establishment. We practise painless extraction, and every operation we perform is devoid of suffering. Being dental experts we enjoy a high reputation for careful and thorough work, and our patrons in the past will gladly testify to the character of our services. Our charges are reasonable, too.

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$12.00 Overcoat or Raincoat	9.00
$13.50 Overcoat or Raincoat	10.13
$15.00 Overcoat or Raincoat	11.25
$16.50 Overcoat or Raincoat	12.38
$18.00 and 18.50 Overcoat or Raincoat	13.88
$20.00 Overcoat or Raincoat	15.00
$22.50 Overcoat or Raincoat	16.88
$25.00 Overcoat or Raincoat	18.75

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187	Bags Red Dog
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260	Bags Head Rice
117	Bags Japan Rice
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